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## Fashion stunners and duds of past year

## Santa makes early stop in Maine

**GOODWILL** Christmas came three days early at a Goodwill store in Maine's largest city.

An anonymous man dressed in a Santa suit handed out envelopes containing $100 each to 100 unsuspecting shoppers Tuesday evening at the store in Portland.

People gasped when they opened the envelopes. Aurea Parker told the Portland Press Herald she didn't think Santa existed anymore.

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## Nathan Phillips Square **Skating under the lights**

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Skaters take a twirl around the rink last night at Nathan Phillips Square. The rink is a popular spot during the holidays.

# Not Berry good

## BlackBerry users upset after outage affects service

**Some BlackBerry users were questioning the reliability of the smartphone's services yesterday after a second outage in less than a week left subscribers across North America stranded without Internet, email or messenger connectivity.**

Social networks like Facebook and Twitter were bombarded with complaints from BlackBerry users, even as most of the services returned to normal.

A flaw in two recently released versions of a BlackBerry instant messaging system appears to be behind the latest massive network failure, a Research In Motion spokesman told the Toronto Star yesterday.

The company did not offer an explanation to consumers about the outage on its website yesterday.

The latest failure for BlackBerry users happened Tuesday afternoon, when a network failure spread across North and South America, a failure far more extensive than the RIM network breakdown last week that affected North America.

Some analysts suggest RIM has more than a technical glitch on its hands as consumers become increasingly conscious of problems with their BlackBerrys, a factor that some suggest could ultimately tarnish the device's reputation.

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## PM picked as 2009's top newsmaker

Stephen Harper began the year facing crater-sized political potholes at home, so he adopted a time-honoured coping mechanism of Canadian prime ministers: He hit the road internationally.

Stephen Harper

The strategy, it seems, worked like a charm: Harper used a steep recession to his political advantage and emerged stronger than ever in his four years in office, a feat that has earned him the title of 2009 Newsmaker of the Year in the annual survey of news organizations by The Canadian Press.

It's Harper's second straight year as top newsmaker. He garnered 24 per cent of the votes to edge Jim Balsillie (19 per cent).

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### Vote tally

- Vote totals to determine The Canadian Press Newsmaker of the Year for 2009:
- **Stephen Harper**: 24 per cent
- **Jim Balsillie**: 19 per cent
- **Tori Stafford, David Butler-Jones**: 11 per cent
- **Guy Laliberte, John Furlong, Evan Frustaglio**: 5 per cent
- **Leona Aglukkaq, Michael Ignatieff**: 3 per cent
- **Michaëlle Jean, Darrell Dexter, Raymond Lahey, Omar Khadr, Earl Jones**: 2 per cent
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# Local

## Water contamination 'low' after spill

**Water sampling at local water treatment facilities continues to indicate normal levels of tritium in water following an inadvertent release at the Darlington nuclear station. Workers at the Darlington station filled the wrong tank with a radioactive isotope Monday, spilling more than 200,000 litres into Lake Ontario. Ontario Power Generation said in a news release that extensive testing has determined the amount of tritium released was "extremely low."** TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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# Ultimate fighting in Ontario?

## Dalton McGuinty has an 'open mind to those kinds of things'

**Premier Dalton McGuinty is considering allowing the staging of Ultimate Fighting Championship matches in the province.**

"I've got an open mind to those kinds of things," McGuinty told CTV Toronto earlier this week when asked if he's opposed to the martial arts events being staged here.

"I'd want to hear from people who train kids in the martial arts, how popular is it among the younger age group and all those kinds of things. It's not the kind of thing I'd want to drive underground. In other words, I'd want to bring a thoughtful approach to it."

**"I'd want to hear from people who train kids in the martial arts. ... It's not the kind of thing I'd want to drive underground."**
Premier Dalton McGuinty

McGuinty said he would also want to consult with police and medical officials, adding the issue is not a priority for him.

Ultimate fighting has become one of the world's fastest-growing spectator sports.

It is a mixed martial arts competition, combining elements of fighting sports such as boxing, wrestling, kick-boxing, karate and jiu-jitsu.

The UFC recently recorded a victory when Vancouver's city council voted to legalize mixed martial arts competitions. It has also been recently legalized in Massachusetts.

The Ontario Athletic Commission has periodically revisited the issue, but it has continually maintained that mixed martial arts violates Section 83 of the Criminal Code, which forbids unsanctioned prize fighting.

The UFC has claimed a UFC event in Toronto could generate $4 million in tax revenue. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Could UFC welterweight champ Georges St. Pierre, left, appear in the octagon in Toronto some day?

# Popular pizzeria fails second inspection

After a rodent infestation caused the closure of a popular downtown pizzeria Monday, Cora Pizza failed a second inspection Wednesday.

"There was a re-inspection done and the requirements for reopening were not met. So the restaurant will remain closed until the next inspection," said Dr. Howard Shapiro, associate medical officer of health with Toronto Public Health.

Monday's inspection was not a routine checkup, but the result of a complaint. Shapiro said rats were found in the "kitchen, proper."

The pizzeria — at 658A Spadina Avenue, north of Harbord Street — has had previous problems with public health. After an inspection in June, the restaurant received a C for "crucial" — the most serious infraction — for failing to ensure food is not contaminated. Cora was given a notice to comply, but was not closed. The city's Dine-Safe website does not specify the nature of potential contamination.

On Wednesday, Shapiro received an email from an inspector at 3:06 p.m., stating the follow-up to Monday's inspection at the pizzeria resulted in another failure. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

COLIN MCCONNELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Cora Pizza is shown with a red "fail" sign in the window after it was closed Monday when rats were found on the premises. The restaurant failed a second inspection Wednesday.

## Food checkups set back after strike, H1N1

**SYSTEM** This week's discovery of rodents at a Spadina Avenue pizza restaurant and a subway station bakery outlet has focused the spotlight on Toronto's restaurant inspection program.

The pass-fail card system, in which a red card closes the establishment until problems are corrected, was set back by last summer's civic workers' strike and the fight against the flu pandemic.

"We did fewer inspections than we normally would do," said Dr. Howard Shapiro, associate medical officer of health. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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**Two police officers hurt in crash**

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# Mission's holiday drive short

**Low holiday donations at some city charities could translate into a difficult new year for people in need.**

"If we have a difficult December, then that affects our whole year," said Ray Marshall, chief development officer with Yonge Street Mission. Marshall said holiday donations this year are down as much as 20 per cent.

The mission runs on about $8 million every year, with about $1.8 million of that donated at Christmas in a campaign that wraps up at the end of December.

This year, donations are $400,000 behind. Marshall said the economy might be improving, but it will be a long time before that translates into less need in the city: "While I appreciate the recession is over, it is not over for the people who live in Regent Park."

That thought is echoed by Gail Nyberg, executive director of the Daily Bread Food Bank, who said food bank use in Toronto has gone up by 16 per cent in the last year.

The food bank's holiday fundraising campaign runs until Jan. 4, with the goal to raise $1 million and 1 million pounds of food. So far, it has collected $800,000 and just more than 600,000 pounds of food.

Linta Loganathan and her mother, Ratneswary, have been using mission services since Linta was a toddler. This year, the 11-year-old picked up a red bicycle at the centre as well as a pink basketball. "I am athletic and I can play with it," she said, describing her choice.

Linta is involved in the centre's athletic and dance programs and is a regular at its weekend breakfast program, which her mother occasionally helps run. "I am never bored" at the centre, she said. She and her mother both consider the centre a home away from home.

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Yonge Street Mission clients Ratneswary Loganathan, 45, and daughter Linta, 11, pay a visit. The gift comes from the mission's annual toy market.

# Receiving holiday charity can carry stigma: Experts

**CHARITY** It's common this time of year to talk about the importance of giving. But little is said about how it feels to receive charity.

Though many are indeed grateful for shows of charity during the holidays, psychologists and charity officials caution that the giving/receiving relationship can also be fraught with stigmatization.

Louise Coutu, executive director of the Toronto branch of St. Vincent de Paul, says the charity often has to disappoint food basket donors who want to deliver gifts themselves.

"We try to make people understand that getting the gifts to the person is more important than making you feel good by delivering it," Coutu says, adding the reaction is not always as expected.

"You just never know what you're going to get when you open that door. Some people are thrilled to have you there and others are very begrudging," Coutu says.

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### Rush from giving

- Two University of British Columbia psychologists are poised to publish a study indicating people who make donations are happiest when they personally hand the money or items over to the recipient.

## News in brief

**INJURIES** A teenage boy has been taken to hospital after apparently falling at least one floor in the Eaton Centre mall. A local radio station says the teen fell from the mall's third level at about 5:15 p.m. His injuries are described as serious.

**WEATHER** Environment Canada climatologist David Phillips says about one-quarter of Canadians will see a green Christmas this year. Areas that won't have at least two centimetres of snow on the ground Dec. 25 are Vancouver Island, southern B.C. and southern Ontario areas including Toronto, Windsor, Niagara, London, Hamilton and along the north shore of Lake Erie.

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**Police in northern Ontario looking for stolen firearms**

Police in the Sudbury area in northern Ontario are looking for a large number of stolen firearms. The search started after three empty gun vaults were found in a ditch, along with other items. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Canada

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## Postal worker allowed to keep job

**A popular postal worker in a small eastern Ontario town will be able to keep her job despite only speaking English — for now. Canada Post contacted Jeanne Barr on Tuesday to tell her she'll be able to keep her position as the acting postmaster in Pakenham, Ont., about 60 kilometres west of Ottawa, while they assess whether they need a bilingual person to do the job. Postal workers in the National Capital Region are required to be bilingual.** THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Man guilty of sex assault

## Father of 5 convicted of abducting 12-year-old girl

**Stanley Tippett's "far-fetched" tale of offering safe passage to a drunken 12-year-old girl, only to be carjacked by two armed men, failed yesterday to sway a judge who convicted the married father of five of kidnapping and sexually assaulting his young victim.**

Tippett was arrested Aug. 6, 2008, just hours after the girl was found half-naked behind a school in Courtice, Ont., some 70 kilometres from where she was abducted in Peterborough.

Ontario Superior Court Justice Bruce Glass, in handing down guilty verdicts on all seven counts, noted that Tippett "has a more than unique head structure" that allowed several people to positively identify him as the girl's abductor.

"There's no disputing he was the driver of the van," said Glass.

Tippett, 33, suffers from Treacher Collins syndrome, a rare condition that causes cranial and facial deformities and can affect hearing, speech and breath.

In previous testimony, the court heard that the 12-year-old girl was severely intoxicated the night she was abducted by Tippett. A friend of the girl testified that she, the victim and another girl, now 17, drank a 26-ounce bottle of rum the night of the attack.

The Crown said it would apply to have Tippett declared a dangerous offender, and a court date of Jan. 13 was set to address the application. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Stanley Tippett leaves the Superior Court of Justice in Peterborough, Ont., yesterday after being handed a guilty verdict.

# More people leaving Alberta than moving in: StatsCan

**ESTIMATE** Saddled with dwindling employment and shrinking energy prices, Alberta seems to be losing its status as the promised land for Canadian job-seekers.

For more than a decade, the province's resource-rich economy has drawn in hundreds of thousands of people from Saskatchewan, Newfoundland and Labrador and elsewhere.

But Statistics Canada's third-quarter population estimate for 2009 shows more people left Alberta for other provinces than moved in.

That's the first time that has happened since 1994.

Douglas Porter, deputy chief economist with the Bank of Montreal, says the province was pulling in almost 50,000 people a year from other provinces at the height of the energy boom.

"It is an amazing turnaround from as recently as three years ago, when, on average, we were seeing about 12,000 or 13,000 net new migrants (per quarter) into Alberta from the rest of the country," he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## News in brief

**CRIME** Two people are recovering from stab wounds following a wild house party in London, Ont. Fifteen officers responded to the call Tuesday. No arrests have been made in connection with the stabbings. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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**Rabbits run wild on campus**
The University of Victoria in B.C. plans to round up and find new homes for scores of rabbits that have been living on campus. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# This will be the year

## 2010 will be decisive in Afghan conflict

**Canada is heading into what is supposed to be its last full year of combat in Kandahar, just as the U.S. pours thousands more troops into the province in what experts believe will be the ultimate showdown with the Taliban.**

The Conservative government and war-weary Canadians will have a choice to make whether they like it or not: Stick to the country's self-imposed 2011 withdrawal date and perhaps risk alienating the Obama administration; continue with the reconstituted war effort; or find some other way to remain meaningfully involved?

**The Taliban "will not win."**
U.S. Gen. Stanley McChrystal

Everyone from Prime Minister Stephen Harper on down has taken pains to emphasize that the strategy is to remain involved, but out of combat. It's a position critics question, given Kandahar's tenuous security.

U.S. Gen. Stanley McChrystal, who commands the International Security Assistance Force, boldly predicted that by July 2011 NATO will be able to turn to the Afghans and declare that the Taliban "will not win." There have been reports that 800 U.S. marines will deploy in early January, with more to follow.

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# Torch lights up south-west Ontario

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

It was an emotional morning for CFL legend Mike (Pinball) Clemons as he carried the Olympic flame through an Ontario village.

The former Toronto Argonauts player, coach and current vice-chair of the team, ran with the torch in North Buxton, south of Chatham.

North Buxton was a refuge for American blacks escaping slavery. Clemons took note of that historical fact after his run.

Clemons says it was difficult to put into words what it meant to run with the torch in a country that "has a history of embracing other people."

"I'm American by birth," said Clemons, "but Canadian by choice."

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Lance Berrisford leaps in the air yesterday at Point Pelee, Ont., as he carries the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch to the edge of Lake Erie. Follow the Olympic torch's journey with an interactive map at metronews.ca/sports

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**Poland promises Auschwitz museum money for security**

Poland's culture minister on Wednesday promised the Auschwitz museum money to step up security after the infamous "Arbeit Macht Frei" ("Work Sets You Free") sign was stolen from the site of the former Nazi death camp. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# World

## Young sailor will stay with father

**A Dutch court ruled Wednesday that 14-year-old sailor Laura Dekker can remain in her father's custody after she ran away from home and travelled alone to the Caribbean. Dekker made headlines earlier this year when she announced plans to become the youngest person to sail solo around the world, backed by her father. Those plans were blocked by a court in the Netherlands.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Objective defeated

## Parents in balloon boy spectacle barred from profiting from stunt

**The Colorado parents who carried out the balloon boy hoax were sentenced to jail Wednesday and given strict probation conditions that forbid them from earning any money from the spectacle for four years.**

Richard Heene was sentenced to 90 days in jail, including 60 days of work release that will let him pursue his job as a construction contractor while serving his time. His wife, Mayumi, was sentenced to 20 days in jail.

Richard Heene choked back tears as he said he was sorry, especially to the rescue workers who chased down false reports that his six-year-old son had floated away in a balloon Oct. 15. It was a stunt designed to generate attention for a reality TV show. Judge Stephen Schapanski then ordered Heene to begin a 30-day jail term Jan. 11, delaying the start of the sentence for two weeks so he can spend the holidays with his family. Schapanski allowed Heene to serve the remaining 60 days of his jail term under work release, meaning he can work during the day but spend his nights in jail.

The Heenes' probation will be revoked if they are found to be profiting from any book, TV, movie or other deals related to the stunt.

Deputy District Attorney Andrew Lewis also asked for full restitution to reimburse authorities for the cost of investigating the hoax — an amount that could exceed $50,000 US.

"Jay Leno said it best when he said, 'This is a copycat game,'" Lewis said. "And people will copycat this event. (The Heenes) need to go to jail so people don't do that."

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Mayumi and Richard Heene arrive in court for sentencing Wednesday in Fort Collins, Colorado.

# Dozens hurt as plane overshoots runway

**JAMAICA** An American Airlines flight carrying 154 people, including three Canadians, skidded across a Kingston, Jamaica, runway in heavy rain, bouncing across the tarmac and injuring more than 40 people before it stopped just short of the Caribbean Sea, officials and witnesses said.

Panicked passengers screamed and baggage burst from overhead bins as Flight 331 from Miami careened down the runway Tuesday night, one passenger said. The impact cracked the fuselage, crushed the left landing gear and separated both engines from the Boeing 737-800, said airline spokesman Tim Smith. Crews evacuated dazed and bloodied passengers onto a beach from a cabin that smelled of smoke and jet fuel, passengers said.

American Airlines said two people were admitted to the hospital and nobody suffered life-threatening injuries.

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### Canadians OK

- The Canadian passengers were not injured in the incident, an official with the Department of Foreign Affairs said.

## News in brief

**IRAQ** Bombs targeted Iraqi Christians and Shiite Muslims in Baghdad and Mosul Wednesday, killing at least seven people and wounding dozens. Security forces have been concerned that the Shiite holy observances known as Ashoura and Christmas gatherings would be targeted by large-scale attacks.

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**Raw deal for safer sex advocates**
A Los Angeles judge has denied a request from an AIDS advocacy group calling for mandatory use of condoms on porn sets. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Mother called cops on 6-year-old child

## Girl had shoplifted package of stickers

**An Ohio woman who asked that police be called after she caught her six-year-old daughter shoplifting a package of stickers said yesterday that she was just trying to teach the girl a lesson early in life.**

Diane Lyons said she doesn't believe she overreacted when she discovered the girl, Shiane, had taken the $3.11 package of stickers used to make temporary tattoos.

An older daughter, 10, told Lyons about the theft.

Chief Ronald Yeager of the Carrollton Police Department, in eastern Ohio, arrived at the Discount Drug Mart on Dec. 15 and took the six-year-old to the police station in his cruiser before releasing her to Lyons.

Yeager told Lyons the girl sat quietly in the car on the way to the police station.

"I don't think I went too far," Lyons said in a phone interview.

**"I don't think I went too far. You've got to catch them when they first start if they do something wrong."**
Ohio mother Diane Lyons, who considered claiming a $30 reward for turning in shoplifters

"You've got to catch them when they first start if they do something wrong."

Lyons, 31, asked about collecting a $30 reward for turning in shoplifters, but decided not to follow up because she felt bad about doing it.

"People think that I set her up or something to get the reward," Lyons said.

Lyons said she's seen parents give children a light spanking in similar situations, but felt that this wouldn't be enough in Shiane's case.

She's confident the girl has learned her lesson.

"I don't think Shiane would do it again, I really don't, because of all that I did," Lyons said.

The store's chief financial officer, Tom McConnell, said he could recall at least one other instance when parents asked that police be called on a shoplifting child.

A parent's own discipline is typically more effective than bringing in other authority figures to deal with a young child's wrongdoing, said Stanley Goldstein, a child clinical psychologist in Middletown, N.Y.

"You're asking police to do something that's not in their training," said Goldstein, author of Troubled Children/Troubled Parents.

"They're not experts on kids; they're experts on policing the community."

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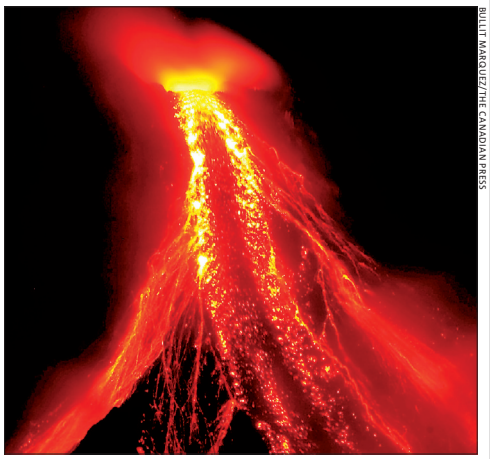
## Bin Laden's daughter escapes house arrest in Tehran

**FUGITIVE** A daughter of al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden has taken refuge in the Saudi Embassy in Tehran after eluding guards who have held her and five brothers under house arrest for eight years, a Saudi-owned newspaper reported yesterday.

It has long been believed that Iran has held a number of bin Laden's children since they fled Afghanistan following the U.S.-led invasion in 2001.

The prisoners are thought to include, most notably, Saad and Hamza bin Laden, who are believed to have held positions in al-Qaida.

The Asharq Al-Awsat newspaper reported that the 17-year-old daughter, Eman, slipped away from guards and fled to the Saudi Embassy nearly a month ago. The embassy's charge d'affaires, Fouad al-Qassas, confirmed that she has been at the mission for 25 days and there have been efforts to get her out of the country. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Mayon continues to ooze lava and ash in the Philippines' Albay province. The volcano has erupted nearly 40 times in 400 years.

## Evacuees plot sneaky return

**EVACUATION** Police and soldiers donned Santa hats and red clown noses and belted out songs in crammed evacuation centres, in hopes of keeping 47,000 displaced residents from sneaking back to their homes on the slopes of a lava-spilling volcano.

Despite the risk of an imminent explosive eruption of the 2,460-metre Mayon, which has been oozing lava and blasting ash for a week, some residents weary of temporary shelters are conspiring to go back to their abandoned villages for traditional Christmas Eve family gatherings. Others want to retrieve their livestock or harvest crops.

"We and many others plan to spend Christmas Eve in our homes," said Ramon Ayala, 48.

Authorities are determined to make sure that does not happen. "I have set a very high bar, which is zero casualty," said Gov. Joey Salceda of Albay province.

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## Comment

# Season for memories

**Relating**

**Steve Collins**

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I have no way of knowing under what circumstances you're reading this, whether you're on your way home for the holidays or headed to work, trying to finish your shopping or just catching your breath.

It would be foolish of me to assume anything about what your holidays might look like, since you might not even know. I hope they're peaceful and spent with those you love, but that can be harder than it sounds.

Tomorrow will be whatever it is, and it often looks nothing like the Christmas cards. Our families have bent into all sorts of surprising shapes, and some of us are trying to make it to two or more Christmases, sometimes in different cities or countries.

Travel at this time of year is rough because it's so often mandatory, and schedules are tight. The weather is predictably unpredictable, and countless people find themselves stranded in airports, in hotels, anywhere but where they planned to be. Mangers, even.

And for many of us, there are empty, unfillable spots at the table, where somebody used to be and never will be again. That hurt gets quieter, but it doesn't go away, and it has a way of flaring up at this time of year. It isn't all Merry Happy.

One of the best Christmases I remember was also one of the worst. My father had died only a couple of months before and the rest of us were going to get together at my sister's, traditional as can be, closing ranks against grief.

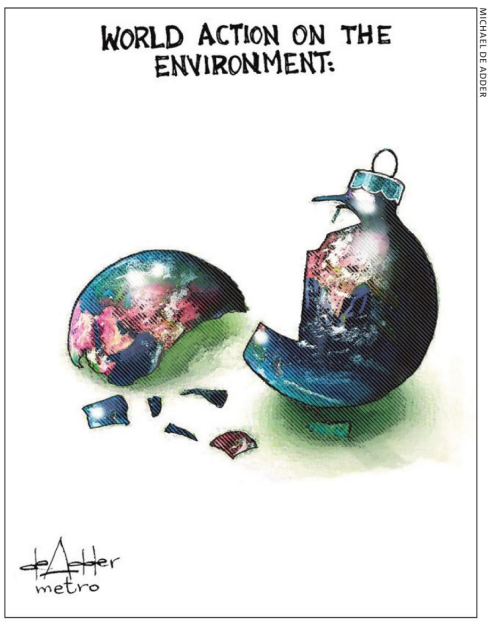
It didn't work out that way. Instead, we got waylaid 300 miles away with a house full of burst pipes and a stack of estate and insurance chores to chew over with a lawyer who didn't want to be there either.

We ended up stuck in a motel room, but we were stuck together. We had some laughs as well as some sobs, and got some laundry done at the coin wash. O holy night.

It wasn't what we expected and this holiday seldom is. Expectations are a big part of the problem, as we all try to transform ourselves from real people to perfect happy families in perfect happy sweaters.

So have yourself a merry little whatever, try to accept the relatives for who they are and who they are trying to be for the occasion. I wish you surpassingly great presents and more hugs than you can handle, but if it doesn't work out, you'll be in good company as we imperfectly celebrate another year of this imperfect, irreplaceable life.

Steve Collins offers his best guesses on relationships for Metro every two weeks.

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## Views

# Feminist newsmakers of the past year

**FourthWave**

**Canice Leung**

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If you needed any proof that feminism is necessary, all you need to do is look to this year's newsmakers. My feminist heroes for 2009 defended and expanded our ideas of what women can be, while the villains tried to scale them back:

**Lady Gaga:** There's a savvy woman behind the latex bodysuits and comically oversized sunglasses: Gaga takes her persona to an extreme because she recognizes it is constructed, and she criticizes double standards between female and male musicians (being open about sex undermines her music, while his exploits heighten his). And can you remember the last time a pop star used the F-word? Lady G called a Los Angeles Times writer "a little bit of a feminist, like I am," adding, "women need and want someone to look up to that they feel have the full sense of who they are."

**Rihanna:** Speaking of singers, here's one that reluctantly championed women's rights. After being assaulted by Chris Brown, Rihanna was silent about the whole ordeal until this fall, when she says she realized her fame afforded her a voice to educate women on domestic abuse.

Lady Gaga

**Neda Agha-Soltan:** During the disputed Iranian election, Neda was on her way to a pro-reform rally June 20 when a sniper allegedly shot and killed her. The haunting video of her last moments galvanized protesters and lent a face to the thousands shouting to make their votes count. Since the crackdown, the government has harassed and arrested prominent activists — women's rights organizers and Nobel peace laureate Shirin Ebadi among them.

**Stephen Harper:** In recent years, the prime minister has killed funding for advocacy groups and ideologically neutered Status of Women Canada (a federal policy organization charged with improving the lives of women) by removing the essential "equality" part from its mandate. This September, Harper crowed about cuts to the Court Challenges Program, which financially assists people mounting constitutional court challenges — and called the people that used that funding a "left-wing fringe group."

**VANOC:** It started when a group of female ski jumpers challenged VANOC's decision to exclude its event at the 2010 Games, but ended Tuesday when the Supreme Court refused to hear its case. Sadly, it's neither the first nor last Olympics-related trampling of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms: The city of Vancouver ordered the removal of an anti-Olympic mural, while VANOC demanded a local restaurant named Olympia change its moniker. The heroines in all this are the athletes — some are teenagers fighting for women's rights, while at that age I was busy popping zits and moping.

Canice Leung is a former editor of Ryerson University feminist magazine McClung's, copy editor at Metro, ardent feminist and loudmouth.

## Worth mentioning

# North Korea gambles with new arms route

North Korea, banned from selling arms by UN sanctions, may have gambled and lost when it dispatched 35 tons of weapons by air rather than by sea as it has done in the past. Authorities seized the plane, which may have been bound for Iran, during a refuelling stop in Thailand.

The 11-day saga remains shrouded in mystery and missing pieces, including the final destination of the Ilyushin Il-76 cargo plane now under Thai custody along with its five-man crew.

Among difficulties facing investigators is a fly-by-night infrastructure seemingly rigged up for the flight, including a Hong Kong-based company reportedly involved that was only incorporated Nov. 2 and whose director could not be traced there or at his address in Spain.

But experts in South Korea say one thing appears clear: North Korea is seeking new ways to bust through a U.S.-led interdiction program of its arms sales.

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**Sanctions**

- The UN imposed sanctions in June, banning North Korea from exporting any arms after the communist regime conducted a nuclear test and test-fired missiles.

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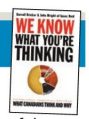


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**FNX Mining expects higher production next year**

Toronto-based FNX Mining Company Inc., which has mineral properties in the Sudbury Basin, said Wednesday it has budgeted $104.1 million for capital expenditures in 2010 as it expects production to be nearly one-third higher in the new year compared with 2009. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Business

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## Nuinsco to sell gold project

**GOLD** Nuinsco Resources Ltd. says it has an agreement to sell its Cameron Lake gold project and a gold mill to Coventry Resources Ltd. in a cash-and-stock deal the company valued at $12 million.

Coventry will pay $5.9 million in cash once a definitive agreement is reached, with a deadline of March 5. In addition, Nuinsco will receive 12 million shares of Coventry, representing about 17 per cent of its outstanding stock, and royalty payments with an estimated value of about $3 million.

The company is a multi-commodity mineral exploration and development company that is focused on gold, uranium, copper and zinc exploration in world-class mineralized belts in Canada and Turkey.

Based in Perth, Australia, Coventry is focused on acquiring, exploring and advancing projects in Ontario. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# 'R' word passé in 2010?

## Economists see up to 4% growth in final quarter of 2009

**Economists are cautiously optimistic that "recession" will no longer be a prominent phrase in the Canadian vocabulary in 2010 as the economy trudges out from its second-worst annual decline in nearly half a century.**

But growth will be modest and unemployment will likely remain high.

Statistics Canada reported Wednesday a modest 0.2 per cent month-over-month growth in real gross domestic product in October, leading many economists to believe growth in the last quarter of 2009 could reach as much as four per cent.

**2.5%** For next year, economists predict growth of about 2.5 per cent, average by historical standards after a recession and not robust enough to make much of a dent in the 8.5 per cent unemployment rate as more people enter the workforce.

The recovery is largely being fuelled by activity in the real estate sector, which rose 7.2 per cent in October in a strong market for existing home sales.

Retail and wholesale trade and some tourism-related industries also showed growth, while the finance and insurance sector slipped. Goods-producing industries grew 0.1 per cent, with gains in utilities and construction.

Douglas Porter, deputy chief economist with BMO Capital Markets, says four per cent growth for the fourth quarter of 2009 might be too optimistic. He predicted growth would be closer to three per cent.

Porter added that following modest growth in the third quarter, three per cent growth in the fourth quarter would be enough to declare the recession officially over. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Ford says it's close to selling Volvo

**AUTOS** Ford Motor Co. moved closer Wednesday to selling its loss-making Volvo unit to China's Geely Group, saying a final deal is expected early next year if financing and government approvals fall into place.

If the sale goes through it would be another step in the U.S. auto industry's retrenchment from global operations, and another acquisition of such assets by a Chinese company.

General Motors Co. is selling its rugged Hummer brand to construction machinery maker Sichuan Tengzhong Heavy Industrial Machinery Corp., and China's Beijing Automotive Industry Holdings has agreed to buy some powertrain technology from GM's Swedish Saab unit, which is being closed unless a buyer is found by year end.

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**Ford Motor Co. expects to complete a deal to sell its loss-making Volvo unit to China's Geely Group early next year.**

Beijing Automotive was also involved in the Swedish consortium Koenigsegg Automotive's failed attempt to take over Saab.

Ford acquired Volvo in 1999 for $6.45 billion US and has wanted to unload the Swedish carmaker since last year to raise cash and focus its efforts on three core brands: Ford, Lincoln and Mercury.

For 10 years, Ford and Volvo have shared safety and other technology. For instance, Ford's Taurus sedan is based on Volvo underpinnings. Any agreement with Geely is expected to include details about sharing intellectual property rights and engineering.

Auto analyst Matts Carlson estimated the price tag for Volvo at between $2 billion US to $2.3 billion US and said a Geely takeover would be good for Volvo. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# BlueRush earnings increase sevenfold

**MEDIA** Marketing company BlueRush Media Group Corp.'s fiscal 2010 first-quarter earnings rose sevenfold as revenues increased.

For the period ended Oct. 31, net income totalled $140,776 compared with $19,644 in the same 2009 period.

Earnings per share for the most recent quarter were not disclosed in the company's news release, but amounted to 0.1 of a cent a share in the year-ago quarter, according to documents filed with regulators.

**Solutions**

- BlueRush creates media solutions for the Internet, web TV, iPods, mobile phones, digital signs and in-store kiosks.

The Toronto company's revenues jumped nearly 20 per cent, helped by its expansion in the financial services industry and the health and pharmaceutical sector.

Revenues totalled $909,768 versus $766,957 in the year-ago period.

"We emerged from a difficult fiscal 2009, with a greater client base in two very large industry verticals: Financial services and health care," stated president and chief executive Larry Lubin.

"BlueRush was very well positioned at the start of the quarter as our clients resumed their marketing programs." THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Business in brief

**ACQUISITION** Construction products fabricator Canam Group Inc. has acquired a 15 per cent stake in U.S. structural steel fabricator FabSouth for $11.25 million US, the Quebec-based company announced Wednesday. FabSouth operates five plants in Florida, North Carolina and Georgia. Canam has 12 plants and employs 2,500 people in Canada, the United States, Romania and India. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Sports

## Deadline looms for fight

**The promoter for boxing sensation Manny Pacquiao, left, says a fight against Floyd Mayweather Jr. will not happen unless Mayweather's camp drops its insistence for Olympic-style blood testing. Promoter Bob Arum says if that doesn't happen by Thursday, the proposed March 13 fight that would have likely been the richest ever in boxing is over.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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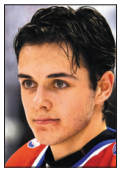
## Russians, Swedes offer tough competition

They are the home team and therefore the favourite, but winning gold at the world junior hockey championship won't be easy for Canada.

The Swedes, who lost 5-1 to their hosts in the final last year in Ottawa, are back with big goaltender Jacob Markstrom and a fleet of gifted forwards, and the Russians, who lost to Canada in a shootout in the semifinals, should be just as dangerous with Nikita Filatov cruising for goals.



Nikita Filatov

Meanwhile, the Canadians have lost some of their best scorers to the NHL, like John Tavares, Matt Duchene and Evander Kane, as well as the injured Cody Hodgson, and may need to rely more than usual on defence and team play as they try to win a record sixth consecutive gold medal.

"The record is exciting in itself, especially to do it on home soil," said Canadian defenceman Ryan Ellis, one of four Windsor Spitfires on the team. "It's important for us to win this and be part of history."

The tournament, officially called the IIHF Under-20 World Championship, kicks off Saturday with Canada playing the first round in Saskatoon in Group A with Slovakia, the U.S., Latvia and Switzerland, while the tighter Group B in Regina has Sweden, Russia, the Czech Republic, Finland and Austria. The final is Jan. 5. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Sports in brief

**TROY GLAUS** The power-hungry Atlanta Braves are hoping longtime third baseman Troy Glaus can fill the team's void at first base. The Braves have reached a preliminary agreement on a one-year contract with Glaus, a person with knowledge of the negotiations told The Associated Press Wednesday.

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Phil Kessel of the Toronto Maple Leafs is stopped by goaltender Dwayne Roloson and Jon Sim of the New York Islanders Wednesday night at Nassau Coliseum in Uniondale, N.Y. The Islanders beat the Leafs 3-1.

# Islanders defeat Leafs

## Hunter, Tavares score in second period to secure win

**NHL**

**Maple Leafs 1 Islanders 3**

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS AT NY ISLANDERS

**Trent Hunter and John Tavares scored 90 seconds apart in the second period, and Dwayne Roloson made 26 saves in the New York Islanders' 3-1 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs on Wednesday night.**

Blake Comeau was awarded a goal with 34.9 seconds left after being taken down on a breakaway with an empty net.

The Islanders salvaged the final game of a four-game homestand and snapped an overall four-game losing streak at Nassau Coliseum.

Niklas Hagman scored in third period for Toronto.

Jonas Gustavsson made 20 saves for Toronto, which lost for the fourth consecutive time away from Air Canada Centre.

Roloson, who logged a career-high 58 saves in a win over Toronto on Nov. 23, has made 110 saves on 117 shots in three games against the Maple Leafs this season.

Hagman ended Roloson's shutout bid with a rebound goal 1:58 into the final period. Roloson made a pad save on Tomas Kaberle's point shot before Hagman pushed in the rebound at the left post.

Twice the red goal light accidentally went off behind Roloson in the final five minutes. But the netminder protected the one-goal lead, including a tricky pad save on Lee Stempniak's point-blank shot from the slot with under three minutes remaining.

Comeau was driven into the boards by Francois Beauchemin on a breakaway. Toronto pulled its goalie for the extra attacker and by rule the officials awarded the Islanders the goal. Comeau finished a two-point night.

Tavares, the No. 1 pick this year, had gone six games without a goal before providing the insurance marker. The Oakville native leads the Islanders in goals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Pistons' offence misfires against Raptors

Andrea Bargnani scored 21 points, Hedo Turkoglu added 11 points and a season-best 11 assists and the Toronto Raptors beat the shorthanded Detroit Pistons 94-64 on Wednesday night, matching the lowest point total in franchise history.

Detroit, which has lost six straight, played without Ben Gordon (ankle), Richard Hamilton (hamstring) and Tayshaun Prince (back). Charlie Villanueva went 0-of-7 from the field trying to play through a foot injury.

Jarrett Jack added 14 points for Toronto, while Chris Bosh had 12 points and nine rebounds.

Reserve Will Bynum had 12 points for Detroit, which shot 28 per cent from the field. The starters were a combined 11-of-42 as the Pistons finished 12 points below its previous season low.

The Raptors are now 11-0 in games in which opponents score fewer than 100 points.

An interesting stat but not one that would drive Toronto coach Jay Triano to change very much. He knows his team isn't built to grind out wins. "I know that the number, 100 points, is something ... we seem to win when that happens, but we're not going to walk the ball up the floor to keep the game under 100," he said.

"I don't think that makes sense." METRO NEWS SERVICE

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## Morrow deal 'just a good baseball trade,' says Jays GM

In an ideal trade you should give up quality to get quality, insists Jays' general manager Alex Anthopoulos.

That was clearly his belief of what happened in discussing Wednesday's trade with the Mariners. The Jays received right-handed starter Brandon Morrow in exchange for right-handed reliever Brandon League. The Jays included a second prospect, 20-year-old outfielder Johermyn Chavez.

"I think it was just a good baseball trade," Anthopoulos said via conference call. "Brandon League has done a great job for us. We felt like 2010 was going to be a breakout season. His second-half stats were greatly improved. He's still young. He's 26 and just about to come into his own. We weren't pleased to have to give him up. It's a reflection of how much we like Brandon Morrow."

**Morrow**

- Brandon Morrow was 2-4 with a 4.39 ERA in 26 games last season.

The 25-year-old Morrow was selected as the nation's fifth overall pick in the June 2006 draft out of the University of Cal-Berkeley. His development was slowed when he was rushed to the majors in 2007 by the struggling M's. Since that time he has bounced back and forth between the minors and the majors, the rotation and the bullpen. But the Jays foresee just one role for Morrow — a major league starter.

"He reminds me a lot of A.J. Burnett in terms of the delivery and the stuff," Anthopoulos said.

"He can throw very hard, 98-99 (m.p.h.) as if he's playing catch."

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# Advice for the procrastinator

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

**It's Dec. 24. You settle in front of the tube with a cider to watch It's A Wonderful Life for the umpteenth time, glance at the perfectly packaged gifts under the tree and suddenly get the feeling you're forgetting something.**

Don't fear, present procrastinator!

Just remember these four tips to weather the last-minute holiday shopping hustle...

With a little creativity, you can still be a hero this Christmas.

### Prime for lines

Lineups amid your heel-dragging brethren can encourage public fits of frustration due to the claustrophobic combination of chipper Christmas music, flashing lights and other latecomers inadvertently touching you. So zen out by bringing a rousing book (have you scoured Metro's holiday book picks yet?) or iPod to tune out the lot. Podcasts from programs like CBC's Definitely Not The Opera or NPR's This American Life will make you happy by making light of the human absurdity you're surrounded by.

### Be thoughtfully thoughtless

Sure, gift cards aren't the most attentive festive offerings, but they're easy, often have no expiry date and save you from picking a present the recipient may completely hate, thereby ruining your relationship forever all because you waited so long to shop. Plus, it doesn't take much to personalize a plastic rectangle. Consider what the giftee likes (makeup? books? power tools?) and pick a shop with a suffocating selection of it. Buy a greeting card, write a schmaltzy message expressing your love, and seal with gift card inside.

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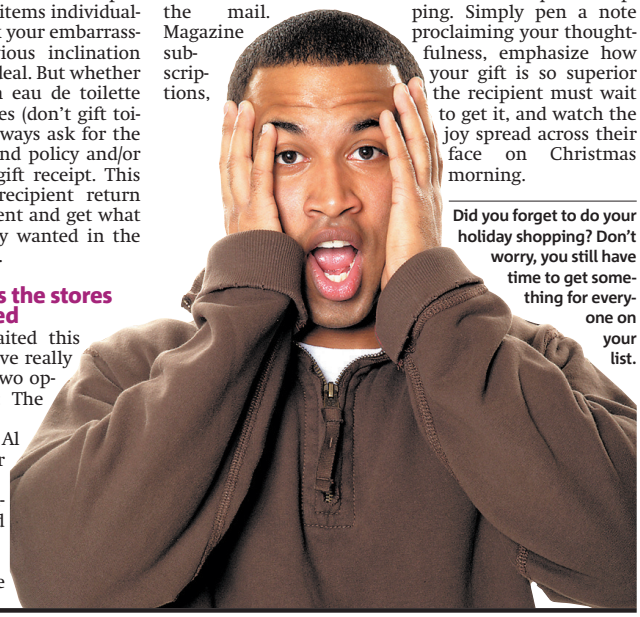

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# Best and worst '09

Metro polled editors across our 100 editions worldwide to compile this list of who looked great and who didn't this year

**Best**

1

**Michelle Obama**
Dubbed the first lady of fashion, Michelle Obama dazzled us with her sleeveless, strapless, and one-armed gowns, classic sheath dresses and creative accessories over the past year. She helped put budding designers on the map (i.e. Jason Wu) and showed off her modesty with old favourites like J. Crew. Not since Jackie O has the fashion world been so intrigued with the White House.

2

**Rihanna**
Homegirl may have kept her emotions about Chris Brown under wraps, but she was always ready for a photo-op, displaying her increasingly edgy wardrobe for all to see.

3

**Diane Kruger**
The actress has always been an underground stunner, but she kicked the fashion up a notch while promoting Inglourious Basterds. She's got a knack for wearing pretty pieces that have just the right amount of edge.

**Best & Worst**

**Lady Gaga**
**We loved:** Her wild and crazy approach to fashion (see every outfit in her video for Bad Romance and her wardrobe at the MTV VMA awards).
**We hated:** Her wild and crazy approach to fashion (i.e. that puzzling bolero made of Kermit the frog stuffed animals and that weird hat made of deer antlers).

**Worst**

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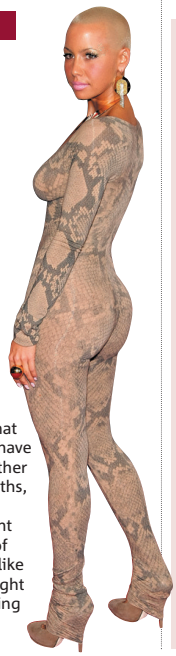

**Amber Rose**
Never mind that she seems to have pulled it together in recent months, Kanye West's girlfriend spent the majority of 2009 looking like one hot skintight legging-wearing mess.

2

**Katie Price**
From the unnatural-looking tan to the Malibu Barbie clothes, the British reality TV star has made a living out of looking bad.

3

**Mariah Carey**
Why our beloved diva insists on squeezing into dresses that are clearly a few sizes too small is beyond us. On one hand, we love the kookiness of it all. On the other, we wish she'd burn the Spanx and exhale normally.

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**Mounir Mouffarige recently stepped down from his post as Emanuel Ungaro's CEO to focus on his other businesses.**

## Ungaro president steps down

**DESIGNER** The president of foundering Paris-based label Emanuel Ungaro — who hired Hollywood star Lindsay Lohan last season in what critics decried as a desperate move to revive the flagging brand — has stepped down, the fashion house said in a statement last week.

Lebanese-born businessman Mounir Moufarrige is leaving "in order to devote more time to his other businesses, namely, in the watch and jewelry industry," the statement said.

A press officer for the Ungaro said Moufarrige, who joined the label in 2006, will continue to serve on its strategic committee as an adviser on an "as-needed basis."

Moufarrige has made a specialty out of reviving semi-dormant brands: His achievements include turning the Montblanc pen into a cult object and hiring then little-known designer Stella McCartney at Chloe.

Once favoured by Hollywood's elite, Ungaro had been bleeding money since its founder retired in 2004. However, Moufarrige struggled to turn the label around, and his attempts to appeal to younger consumers appeared to grow ever more desperate as the years ticked by.

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### Changes

- Ungaro vice-president Marie Fournier has been named general manager "to oversee all operations," according to a recent statement. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Winning bling

## Olympian Jenn Heil collaborates with Birks on new line

The Jenn Heil Collection at Birks includes a bracelet, $395 (far right), necklace $350 (right) and earrings $295 (above).

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"Last year, we were very discreetly evaluating several athletes as potential candidates for the Birks ambassador role. Then, last fall, the director of product development for Birks attended the Gold Medal Plates event in Montreal where he was introduced to Jenn Heil," Andruskevich told Metro in an interview.

Thanks to her Torino win and commitment to community work with young people and other athletes, Heil had already hit their radar, but meeting her and "experiencing first-hand her incredibly positive energy and truly genuine demeanor" pretty much clinched the deal, he said.

And then the Birks team discovered Heil's passion for designing and making her own jewelry,

**Lively lights up Green Lantern**

Gossip Girl actress Blake Lively is set to star in new comic book movie Green Lantern. The 22-year-old blonde star is being lined-up to play the love interest of the main character Hal Jordan — who is played by Ryan Reynold. **FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK**

# Entertainment

**Baby Knoxville**

It's a boy for Johnny Knoxville and girlfriend Naomi Nelson. The couple welcomed son Rocko Akira Clapp on Sunday in Los Angeles. The baby weighed in at 8 pounds.

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# Gilliam creates imaginary world

The Imaginarium of **Doctor Parnassus**

**Director:** Terry Gilliam
**Stars:** Heath Ledger, Johnny Depp
**Classification:** PG
**Rating:** ⊕⊕⊕½

**RICHARD CROUSE**
for Metro Canada

**As you may have guessed from the title, The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus is an odd movie. Directed by Terry Gilliam, it's the strange tale of a mysterious immortal who complicates his life by making deals with the devil.**

Complicating Gilliam's life during production was the unexpected death of his star Heath Ledger but, the show, as they say, must go on and here we are after the untimely January 2008 passing of the young actor, with a completed film. How did Gilliam finish the movie? A new credit, A Film from Heath Ledger and Friends tells the tale.

Three of Ledger's buddies, Johnny Depp (seen dancing on a leaf!), Colin Farrell and Jude Law, stepped in to play "through the looking glass" versions of the late actor.

Set in present day London the film begins with a look at Doctor Parnassus' (Christopher Plummer) bizarre traveling show that offers people a chance to step through Dr.P's magical mirror into an alternate reality. He's selling imagination, but his gift of mind's eye manipulation came with a heavy price.

Eons before he made a trade with the devil (Tom Waits): Remarkable power in exchange for his first born daughter on her sixteenth birthday. That anniversary is now days away but with the help of a mysterious stranger named Tony (played by Ledger, Depp, Law and Farrell) and the magic mirror Dr. P just may be able to save her.

Actor Heath Ledger died unexpected during production of The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus.

The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus is more a piece of surrealist art than a traditional movie. Imagine watching a Salvador Dali painting come to life and you'll get the idea. Gilliam, who co-wrote the script as well as directed, has allowed his imagination to run riot.

While the story meanders to and fro he fills the screen with unforgettable images; Old Nick dangling Dr. P from the end of a branch or a multi-eyed hot air balloon shaped like a man's head or the ensemble of skirt wearing, dancing Bobbies. Visually it'll make your eyeballs do the Watusi.

The story, however, may leave some a bit baffled, but so what if it warps the brain a bit? The film oozes Gilliam's trademarked anarchic spirit — he might be the only filmmaker who could replace his leading man with three other actors and actually pull it off — and is the most original movie of the year.

**On the web**

- For movie trailers, photos and screen times — or to buy tickets — visit metronews.ca/movies.

# It's Complicated uncommonly mature

It's **Complicated**

**Director:** Nancy Meyers
**Stars:** Meryl Streep, Alec Baldwin, Steve Martin
**Classification:** 14A
**Rating:** ⊕⊕⊕

**PHIL BROWN**
for Metro Canada

**REVIEW** Writer/director Nancy Meyers (Something's Got To Give) is a specialist in romantic comedies about middle-aged women. It's a genre with a built in audience and normally few surprises.

However, there's something different about It's Complicated. This movie actually presents psychologically believable characters and doesn't offer easy happy endings. For a holiday release comedy, it is surprisingly well written despite the Hollywood fantasy elements.

Sure everyone in the movie is ridiculously rich and impossibly attractive, but if Meryl Streep and Alec Baldwin actually had children there probably wouldn't be a fugly kid in the family.

Meryl Streep stars as a divorcee whose youngest child just left for college. Just as she starts planting the seeds for a relationship with a charming architect (Steve Martin), Streep has a drunken rendezvous with her ex-husband (Alec Baldwin) that leads to an affair.

All the expected comic mix-ups and zany shenanigans follow, but what is a pleasant surprise is that they have genuine repercussions for the characters and nothing gets tidied up in an obvious way.

For the most part this is a lighthearted romp, but Nancy Meyers crafts her characters as believable human beings and there is a mature undercurrent of reality rarely found in this sort of movie.

Despite the clever screenplay, this is an actor's movie and Meyers cast the roles well.

Meryl Streep is her expected excellent self, getting plenty of laughs while still creating a three dimensional character. Steve Martin delivers the goods as always, but the real star is Alec Baldwin who steals every scene.

Baldwin has really come into his own as a comic actor in recent years as his burgeoning beer-belly and scotch n' cigars scarred voice began to overcome his leading man looks. It's Complicated might be a little too familiar to be considered a great movie, but it is uncommonly mature for the genre and should please the target audience.

Meryl Streep and Alec Baldwin star in It's Complicated.

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**Longoria launches fragrance**
Eva Longoria is to launch her own fragrance. The Desperate Housewives actress has created a new scent with Falic Fashion Group. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

# Fun from start to finish

## Robert Downey Jr., Jude Law perfect together in Sherlock Holmes

**Sherlock Holmes**
**Director:** Guy Ritchie
**Stars:** Robert Downey Jr., Jude Law
**Classification:** PG
**Rating:**

NED EHRBAR
for Metro Canada

Robert Downey Jr., left, and Jude Law stir up plenty of chemistry in Sherlock Holmes.

**REVIEW** Guy Ritchie's risky re-imagining of literature's most famous detective definitely pays off well, thanks in most part to the sheer force of charisma that is Robert Downey Jr.

As he proved earlier this year in the middling The Soloist, Downey can be great even when the movie around him fails to perform. Luckily, in Sherlock Holmes he doesn't have to.

The film takes all the strokes of genius and superhuman deductive skills usually attributed to Holmes and adds the psychological shortcomings that would naturally go with them. He can't venture out into public without obsessively clocking every odd behavior of his fellow Londoners.

Downey portrays all of this splendidly, as unhinged is one of his better looks. But Holmes is nothing without Watson, and under Ritchie's direction, Jude Law is better than he's been in years. The two are perfect together, stirring up enough chemistry to make Watson's fiancée (Kelly Reilly) feel like an unwanted distraction.

Unfortunately, most of Holmes' ticks are abandoned for the second half, when they get down to the business of unraveling the case at hand, the mysterious resurrection of convicted murderer Lord Blackwood (the menacing Mark Strong).

There are plenty of elaborate action sequences set throughout the grey, muddy, under-construction London, but all the loose ends tie up a bit too neatly in the end — except for those needed to tease a sequel. It's absolute fun from start to finish, but it would be nice if so much of the fun weren't front-loaded.

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**Jon & Kate most overexposed couple**
Jon and Kate Gosselin have been named the most overexposed couple of the year, easily beating out Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie in a popeater.com poll. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Nine is not enough

## Musical fails to make transition stage to the big screen

**Nine**
**Director:** Rob Marshall
**Stars:** Daniel Day-Lewis, Penelope Cruz
**Classification:** PG
**Rating:** ⊕⊕½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Nine marks director Rob Marshall's second attempt to turn a lavish stage show into a big-screen showstopper.

**REVIEW** Based on a musical (which itself was based on Federico Fellini's classic film 8 ½), Nine marks director Rob Marshall's second attempt to turn a lavish stage show into a big-screen showstopper.

Well why not? After all, he found success with Chicago (which won the Best Picture Oscar in 2003) but unfortunately this Italian-set noodle only ends up al dente.

Daniel Day Lewis plays an admired filmmaker in the 1960s that flees Rome and the set of his latest picture at the outset of a midlife crisis. Paralyzed by a creative deadlock, his quandary is reflected in fantasy sequences as the auteur encounters the women in his life — his enduring wife (Marion Cotillard), mistress (Penelope Cruz), mother (Sophia Loren) and others played by the likes of Nicole Kidman and Kate Hudson.

While a song notably accompanies each female's appearance (and surprisingly, the cast can carry a tune) and is intended to reveal the filmmaker's internal struggle, most of the arrangements are still simply unremarkable with the possible exception of Be Italian, the movie's signature song (performed by Fergie of the Black Eyed Peas).

Marshall helps to compensate with a slick production, opulent sequences and a recurring chorus of scantily-clad dancers but without some fetching songs to support it, Nine does not add up to a momentous musical.

While a scrawny storyline only adds to the film's lack of luster, fans of musicals that are willing to accept the film for its surface glitter may be thrilled. For the rest of us … well, rent 8 ½ on DVD over the holidays to see what goes much better without singing.

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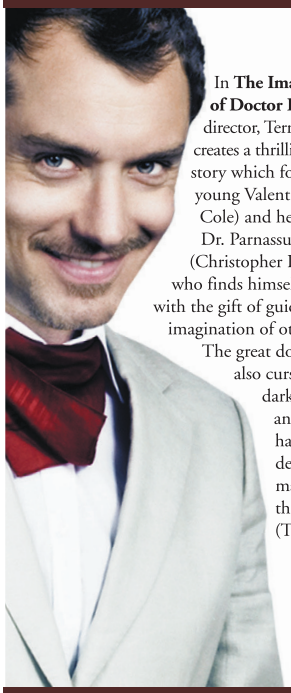
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus
Actors Depp, Law and Farrell Ensure Ledger's Final Performance Be Shared

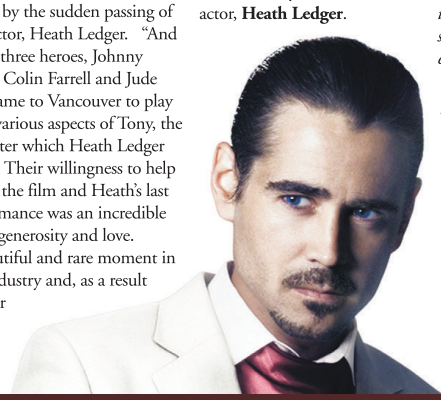


In **The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** director, Terry Gilliam creates a thrilling, fantasy story which follows young Valentina (Lily Cole) and her father Dr. Parnassus (Christopher Plummer) who finds himself blessed with the gift of guiding the imagination of others. The great doctor is also cursed with a dark secret and a haunting deal he made with the devil (Tom Waits).

The film is a mystifying exploration with an award-winning cast, Heath Ledger, Johnny Depp, Colin Farrell and Jude Law starring as the enigmatic 'Tony' in this captivating story in a race against time.

Production on film **THE IMAGINARIUM OF DOCTOR PARNASSUS** was halted by the sudden passing of lead actor, Heath Ledger. "And so the three heroes, Johnny Depp, Colin Farrell and Jude Law came to Vancouver to play these various aspects of Tony, the character which Heath Ledger began. Their willingness to help rescue the film and Heath's last performance was an incredible act of generosity and love. A beautiful and rare moment in our industry and, as a result of their involvement, the film is even more special: it's more surprising; it's become funnier. All in all, it's a bit more magical," affectionately exclaims Gilliam.

For the first time, the actors **Johnny Depp**, **Jude Law** and **Colin Farrell** speak out about the film, their admiration for director, Terry Gilliam and actor, **Heath Ledger**.



**Johnny Depp** remembers *"… Heath is a marvel, Christopher Plummer beyond anything he's ever done, Waits as the Devil is a God, Lily Cole and Andrew Garfield, the very foundation, are spectacular, Verne Troyer simply kicks ass and as for my other cohorts, Colin Farrell and Jude Law, they most certainly did Master Ledger very proud, I salute them. .. Though the circumstances of my involvement are extremely heart-rending and unbelievably sad, I feel privileged to have been asked aboard to stand in on behalf of dear Heath."*

*"… To help finish his final piece of work was a tribute I felt compelled to make. To help Terry finish his film was an honour paid to a man I adore…"* recalls **Jude Law**.

*"… one of cinemas finest actors and most generous of men. It will be this sense of love amidst the sadness I will remember most. Such a gift and an honor, from Heath, to be a part of the trail that he left behind. RIP Heath Ledger x."* **Colin Farrell**.

Ledger will be forever immortalized on the silver screen.

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**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Fri 4:30-7:15-10:15 Sat-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:15-10:15
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri 3:45-4:15-7:7:30-10-10:30 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:45-1:15-3:45-4:15-7:7:30-10-10:30
**A Single Man** (PG) Fri 4-6:45-9:30 Sat-Thu 1:30-4-6:45-9:30

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**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-1-2-3:40-5-6:15-7:30-9-10-11:15
**Avatar: An IMAX 3D Experience** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-3:20-7-10:30
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:15-6:20-9:45
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:7:10-9:50
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:50-6:50-10:10
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:50-11
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:40-10:40 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:40-9:40
**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Fri-Thu 2:15-5:15-8-10:50
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50-3-6:10-9:15
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7:20-10:20 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-3:10-6:30-9:30

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**Avatar** (STC) Fri 4:30-8 Sat 1-4:30-8-11:15 Sun-Thu 1-4:30-8
**Invictus** (PG) Fri 3:50-6:45-9:25 Sat-Thu 12:50-3:50-6:45-9:25
**It's Complicated** (14A) Fri 4-7-9:30 Sat 1:10-4-7-9:30-11:50 Sun-Thu 1:10-4-7-9:30
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Fri 3:40-6:40-9:20 Sat 12:30-3:40-6:40-9:20-11:55 Sun-Thu 12:30-3:40-6:40-9:20
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**No Films Showing Today** (STC) Fri-Sat Thu

### VARSITY
55 Bloor St. W., 416-961-6304

After much anticipation, Avatar was released last week to a strong box office response.

**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-3:10-7-10:45
**Broken Embraces** (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7:10-10:10 Fri-Thu 12:35-3:55-6:35-9:35
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:20-10:20 Fri-Thu 12:25-3:05-6:25-9:05
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-7:30-10:30
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-12:40-3-3:40-6:10-6:40-9-9:40 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:55-3:35-6:45-9:25
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-3:20-6:20-9:20 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:55-9:55
**The Young Victoria** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-6:30-9:20

### CANADA SQUARE
2200 Yonge St., 416-646-0444

**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri 4:05-6:55-9:45 Sat-Thu 1:10-4:05-6:55-9:45
**An Education** (PG) Fri 4:25-7-9:30 Sat-Thu 2-4:25-7-9:30
**Fantastic Mr. Fox** (PG) Fri 4:30-6:50-9:15 Sat-Thu 1:55-4:30-6:50-9:15
**The Hurt Locker** (14A) Fri 4:20-7:15-10 Sat-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:15-10
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri 4:10-7:20-9:55 Sat-Thu 1:20-4:10-7:20-9:55
**New York, I Love You** (14A) Fri 4-6:30-9:10 Sat-Thu 1:40-4-6:30-9:10
**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Fri 4:35-7:25-9:50 Sat-Thu 1:50-4:35-7:25-9:50
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri 3:50-6:45-9:40 Sat-Thu 1:3:50-6:45-9:40

### MT. PLEASANT THEATRE
675 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-489-8484

**Coco avant Chanel** (PG) Sat 7 Sun 2-7 Mon 4:15-7 Tue-Wed 7 Thu 4:15
**No Films Showing Today** (STC) Fri
**A Serious Man** (14A) Sat 4:15-9:25 Sun 4:30-9:25 Mon-Wed 9:20 Thu 7

### REGENT THEATRE
551 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-480-9884

**Brothers** (14A) Sat-Sun 4:15-9:10 Mon 4:15 Tue-Wed 7 Thu 4:15
**Collapse** (STC) Sat-Mon 7 Tue-Wed 9:10 Thu 7
**No Films Showing Today** (STC) Fri

### YONGE-EGLINTON CENTRE
2300 Yonge St., 416-544-1236

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:30
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-3:10-6:50-10:30
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:30-6:20-9:20
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12-3:20-6:30-9:45
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-4-7:20-10:20
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:20-5-7:30-9:50
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-3:50-7-10:10
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-4:20-7:15-10

### YONGE & DUNDAS 24
10 Dundas St East, 416-977-2642

**2012** (14A) Fri-Thu 11-1:30-2:50-4:50-6:15-8:15-9:30
**3 Idiots** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 11:35-3-6:40-10:20
**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 10:30-11:30-12:10-1:10-2:10-2:50-3:50-4:30-5:15-6-7-7:40-8:20-9:20-10:10-10:45-11:20
**Armored** (14A) Fri-Thu 10:40-1:10-3:35-5:55-8:25-10:40
**Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D** (STC) Fri 11:20-12:15-1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15-10:15 Sat-Mon 11:20-12:15-1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15 Tue-Thu 11:20-12:15-1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15-10:15
**An Education** (PG) Fri-Thu 10:55-1:25-4:25-7:05-9:35
**Everybody's Fine** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:10-1:35-4:10-6:45
**Fantastic Mr. Fox** (PG) Fri-Thu 10:50-1:15-3:25-5:40-7:55-10:05
**It's Complicated** (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 10:25-11:25-12:30-1:30-2:30-3:30-4:30-5:30-6:30-7:30-8:30-9:30-10:30-11:15
**Ninja Assassin** (18A) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:20-4:55-7:20-9:50
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:05-12:05-1:35-2:35-4-5-6:25-7:25-9-10-11:15
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1-4:15-7:30-10:45 Special Engagement Fri-Thu 10:30-11:15-12:15-1:45-2:30-3:30-5-5:45-6:45-8:15-9-9:45-11:20
**A Single Man** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:25-1:55-4:25-7:20-9:55

## WEST END

### ALBION CINEMAS
1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

**3 Idiots** (PG) Fri 12-2-4-6-8-10 Sat 12-2-4-6-8-10-11:30 Sun 12-2-4-6-8-10 Mon-Wed 1-3-5-7-9 Thu 12-2-3:30-5:45-7

### QUEENSWAY
1025 The Queensway, 416-503-0424

**2012** (14A) Fri-Thu 10:15
**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:11:40-1:30-2:10-4:10-4:40-6:45-7:20-9:20
**Avatar** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 2-6:15-10
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12-3:10-3:45-7-7:30-10:45-11:10
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:45-3-6:20-9:35
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-5-7:45-10:35
**Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D** (STC) Fri-Thu 11:15-1:50-4:30-7:10
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:20-6:30-9:55
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4:15-7:40-11
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-3:50-7:15-10:20
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
**Old Dogs** (G) Fri-Thu 9:45
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:10-1:40-4:20-6:55-9:30
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:50-10:10 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:45-4-7:25-10:40
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:20-2:30-6-9:15
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:10-4:50-7:50-10:50
**The Young Victoria** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50-3:15-6:10-9:10

### WOODBINE CENTRE
500 Rexdale Blvd., 416-213-1998

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Fri 4:15-6:50-9 Sat-Wed 12:35-2:40-4:45-6:50-9 Thu 12:35-2:40-4:45-6:50
**Avatar** (STC) Fri 4:30-8 Sat-Wed 1-4:30-8 Thu 1-4:30
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri 4-6:50-9:30 Sat-Wed 1-4-6:50-9:30 Thu 1-4-6:50
**Invictus** (PG) Fri 3:45-6:40-9:25 Sat-Wed 12:40-3:45-6:40-9:25 Thu 12:40-3:45-6:40
**It's Complicated** (14A) Fri 3:50-6:45-9:20 Sat-Wed 12:50-3:50-6:45-9:20 Thu 12:50-3:50-6:45
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 4:05-7:05-9:15 Sat-Wed 12:30-2:45-4:55-7:05-9:15 Thu 12:30-2:45-4:55-7:05
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Fri 4:10-6:55-9:45 Sat-Wed 12:45-4:10-6:55-9:45 Thu 12:45-4:10-6:55
**Up in the Air** (14A) Fri 3:55-7-9:40 Sat-Wed 1:05-3:55-7-9:40 Thu 1:05-3:55-7

## EAST END

### BEACH CINEMAS
1651 Queen St. E., 416-699-5971

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri 4:45-7:15-9:45 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:45-2:30-4:45-7:15-9:45
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri 3:15-7:10:40 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-3:15-7:10:40
**Invictus** (PG) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri 3:45-6:45-10 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-10
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri 4:15-7:30-10:50 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:30-10:50
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri 4:30-7:45-10:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:45-10:20

### FOX THEATRE
2236 Queen St. E., 416-691-7330

**Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs** (STC) Wed-Thu 2
**An Education** (PG) Sat-Tue 4:15-7 Wed 4-7 Thu 7
**No Films Showing Today** (STC) Fri
**A Serious Man** (14A) Sat-Wed 9 Thu 4

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**Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Sat-Tue 2

## NORTH YORK

### SHEPPARD GRANDE
4861 Yonge St., 416-590-9974

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-2:10-4:50-7:10-9:50
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:50-6:10-9:20
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:20-7:20-10:20
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:30-6:40-9:45
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12-3:10-6:20-9:35
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4-7:10
**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7:05-10:05
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:20-6:45-9:30
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:50-10
**The Young Victoria** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:50-6:30-9:40

### EMPRESS WALK
5095 Yonge St., 416-223-9550

**2012** (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 3:20-7:10:35
**Avatar** (STC) Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Sun 3-6:40-10:20 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 3-6:40-10:20
**Avatar 3D** (STC) Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-3:40-4:45-7:30-8:30-11 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 1:10-3:40-4:45-7:30-8:30-11
**Brothers** (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 8-10:30
**Disney's A Christmas Carol** (STC) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:45-3:10-5:30
**Nine** (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7:10-10
**Ninja Assassin** (18A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 8:15-10:40
**Old Dogs** (G) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:05-3:30-5:40
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-1:30-3:50-4:30-6:50-7:45-9:50-10:50
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1-4:20-7:20-10:10

### SILVERCITY YORKDALE 6
3401 Dufferin St., 416-444-3456

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:30
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-3:10-6:15-7:10-10:45
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:40-10:20
**Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D** (STC) Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-6:50-10:10
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:20-4:50-7:20-9:50
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-4:7:15-10:30
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 7:30-10:40
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:30-9:20

### SILVERCITY FAIRVIEW
1800 Sheppard Ace. E., 416-644-7746

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:10-9:30
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-3:10-6:15-7:10-10:45
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:3:45-6:30-9:45
**Disney's A Christmas Carol** (STC) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 6:40-10:20
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:45-4-6:50-10:10
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-9:55
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:30-7:20-10:30
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-4:30-7:40-10:40

Did You Hear About the Morgans.

## SCARBOROUGH

### COLISEUM SCARBOROUGH
300 Borough Dr., 416-290-5217

**2012** (14A) Fri 4:50-9 Sat-Thu 2:20-6:15-9:55
**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri 3:30-6-8:40 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:30-3:10-6-8:40 No Passes Fri 5-7:40-10:10 No Passes Sat-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:40-10:10
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri 3:45-6:45-9:45 Sat-Thu 12:40-3:45-6:45-9:45
**Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D** (STC) Fri 4:45-7:25 Sat-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:25
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri 4:15-7:15-10:15 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15
**Ninja Assassin** (18A) Fri-Thu 10:25
**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Fri 4:20-7:20-10:20 Sat-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 3:50-6:55-9:30 Sat-Thu 1:10-3:50-6:55-9:30
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri 3:35-4-6:40-7:10-10-10:30 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:15-12:45-3:20-4-6:40-7:10-10-10:30
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri 3:40-6:50-9:50 Sat-Thu 12:20-3:30-6:50-9:50
**Vettaikaran** (14A) Fri 5:30-9:40 Sat-Thu 2-6:10-10:05

### EGLINTON TOWN CENTRE
1901 Eglinton Ave. E., 416-752-4494

**2012** (14A) Fri-Thu 10:35
**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-12:30-2:10-3-4:40-5:20-7:10-8-9:40
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-3:10-6:10-7:10-10:40
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 6:55-10:15
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:50-6:40-9:30
**Disney's A Christmas Carol** (STC) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:10
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:50-11
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:35-10:45
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-4-6:50-9:45
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7:20-10:20
**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-6:20-9:10
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:20-5-7:40-10:10
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-1:10-3:20-4:20-6:30-7:30-9:50-10:50
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-7:15-10:30
**Vettaikaran** (14A) Fri-Thu 1-5:10-9:20

### 401 & MORNINGSIDE
785 Milner Ave., 416-281-2226

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri 1:45-4:10-6:40-9 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-1:45-4:10-6:40-9
**Avatar** (STC) No Passes Fri-Wed 2:15-6-9:45 No Passes Thu 11:45-3:25-7:10
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri 3:25-7:10-10:40 No Passes Sat-Wed 11:45-3:25-7:10-10:40 No Passes Thu 2:15-6-9:30
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri 4:35-8-10:45 Sat-Wed 1-4:35-8-10:45 Thu 1-4:35-8
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri 3:50-6:10-8:45 Sat-Thu 1:30-3:50-6:10-8:45
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Wed 3:10-9:15 Thu 3:10
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri 3:40-6:30-9:30 No Passes Sat-Wed 12:30-3:40-6:30-9:30 No Passes Thu 12:30-3:40-6:30-9:15
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri 4-6:55-10 No Passes Sat-Wed 12:45-4-6:55-10 No Passes Thu 12:45-4-6:50-9:25
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 2:30-5-7:40-10:10 Sat-Wed 12-2:30-5-7:40-10:10 Thu 12-2:30-5-7:40
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri 4:25-6:20-7:30-10:30 No Passes Sat-Wed 12:15-1:15-4:25-6:20-7:30-10:30 No Passes Thu 12:15-1:15-4:25-6:15-7:30-9:10
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Wed 2-4:45-7:50-10:20 No Passes Thu 1:40-4:15-6:55-9:20

### KENNEDY COMMONS 20
33 William Kitchen Rd., 416-335-5323

**3 Idiots** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 11-2:40-6:20-10
**Armored** (14A) Fri-Thu 1:35-6:15-10:55
**Avatar** (STC) Special Engagement Fri-Mon 12:45-2-4:15-5:30-7:45-9-11:05 Tue-Thu 12:45-2-4:15-5:30-7:45-9-11:05
**Avatar 3D** (STC) Special Engagement Fri-Mon 11:15-12-2:45-3:30-6:15-7-9:45-10:30 Tue-Thu 11:15-12-2:45-3:30-6:15-7-9:45-10:30
**Bad Lieutenant: Port of Call New Orleans** (STC) Fri-Thu 2:55-8:20
**The Boondock Saints II: All Saints Day** (14A) Fri-Thu 12:15-5:40-11
**Broken Embraces** (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 11:35-2:25-5:15-8:05-10:55
**Brothers** (14A) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:20-5:50-8:20-10:50
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Mon 11:10-12:05-1:35-1:55-2:30-4-4:55-6:25-7:20-8:05-8:50-9:45-11:15 Tue-Thu 11:10-12:05-1:35-1:55-2:30-4-4:55-6:25-7:20-8:05-8:50-9:45-11:15
**An Education** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:15-4:40-7-9:20
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 11:35-2:20-5:05-7:55-10:40
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 11-1:15-4:10-4:55-7:05-10-10:45
**Nine** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 12:15-1-2:45-3:30-5:15-6-7:45-8:30-10:15-11
**Old Dogs** (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-2-4:10-6:20-8:35-10:45
**The Road** (14A) Fri-Thu 11:05-3:45-8:25
**Up in the Air** (14A) Fri-Thu 12:10-12:55-2:40-3:35-5:20-6:05-7:55-8:40-10:35-11:10

### WOODSIDE CINEMAS
1571 Sandhurst Circle, 416-299-3456

**3 Idiots** (PG) Fri 12-2-4-6-8-10 Sat 12-2-4-6-8-10-11:30 Sun 12-2-4-6-8-10 Mon-Wed 1-3-5-7-9 Thu 12-2-3:30-5:45-7

## PEEL REGION

### CINÉ STARZ
377 Burnhamthorpe Rd. E., 905-290-2401

**Amelia** (PG) Fri 6 Sat 2 Sun 6:15-8:15 Mon-Wed 7-8:55
**Astro Boy** (PG) Fri 3-4:35-6:10 Sat 12-1:35-4 Sun 12-1:35 Mon-Thu 12-1:40-3:20
**Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs** (STC) Fri 3-4:30-6 Sat 12-1:35-3:10-6 Sun-Thu 12-1:45-3:35-5:20
**Couples Retreat** (PG) Fri 7:35-9:30 Sat 12-5:45 Sun 12-3:45-5:40 Mon-Thu 12-5:30
**The Fourth Kind** (14A) Fri 7:45-9:25 Sat 6:35-8:15-9:55 Sun 2-7:40-9:20 Mon-Wed 2-7:30-9:10 Thu 2
**Law Abiding Citizen** (18A) Fri 7:45-9:35 Sat 4:45-7:40-9:30 Sun 7-9 Mon-Wed 3:40-7-9 Thu 3:40
**The Men Who Stare at Goats** (14A) Fri 7:55-9:30 Sat-Wed 5-7:55-9:30 Thu 5
**Planet 51** (PG) Fri 3-4:35-6:10 Sat-Thu 12-1:35-3:10-4:45-6:20

### COLISEUM 10
309 Rathburn Rd., 905-275-3456

**2012** (14A) Fri-Thu 2-6:10
**Armored** (14A) Fri-Thu 10:15
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri 11:30-12-3:10-3:50-6:45-7:40-10:50-11:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-12-3:10-3:50-7-7:40-10:50-11:20
**Avatar: An IMAX 3D Experience** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:20-3-6:30-10
**Disney's A Christmas Carol** (STC) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:30-5-8
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-1-3:30-4:15-6:50-7:30-9:50-10:40
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
**Ninja Assassin** (18A) Fri-Thu 11:10
**Old Dogs** (G) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:15-4:50
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-2:50-6:20-7:50-9:30-11 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-4-7:20-10:30
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:20-7:10-10:20
**Vettaikaran** (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-6-10:10

### COURTNEY PARK 16
110 Courtney Park Dr., 905-362-1210

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 10:45-11:35-1:10-2:05-3:40-4:35-6:05-7:05-8:35-9:35
**Avatar** (STC) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11-11:45-1-2:45-3:30-4:50-6:30-7:15-8:30-10:15-11 Mon-Thu 11-11:45-1-2:45-3:30-4:50-6:30-7:15-8:30-10:15-11
**Avatar 3D** (STC) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 10:30-2:15-6-9:45 Mon-Thu 10:30-2:15-6-9:45
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 10:50-1:45-4:45-7:40-10:45
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:55-2:40-5:20-8-10:35 Mon-Thu 11:55-2:40-5:20-8-10:35
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:45-6:55-10
**It's Complicated** (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 10:40-1:35-4:25-7:20-10:20
**Nine** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 10:55-1:55-4:55-7:55-10:50
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:30-2-4:30-7:10-9:40
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 10:35-12:25-1:40-3:35-4:40-6:45-7:45-9:55-10:55
**Up in the Air** (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 11:20-1:25-2:10-4:10-5-7:7:50-9:50-10:40

### ORION GATE GRANDE
20 Biscayne Cr., 905-455-1590

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri 4:40-7:10-9:35 No Passes Sat-Sun 11:50-2:15-4:40-7:10-9:35 No Passes Mon 12-2:15-4:40-7:10-9:35 No Passes Tue-Thu 11:50-2:15-4:40-7:10-9:35
**Avatar** (STC) No Passes Fri 6:15-9:45 No Passes Sat-Thu 2-6:15-9:45
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri 3:10-6:55-10:45 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-3:10-6:55-10:45
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri 3:50-6:25-9:20 Sat-Thu 1:15-3:50-6:25-9:20
**Invictus** (PG) Fri 4:10-7:15-10:20 Sat-Thu 12:30-4:10-7:15-10:20
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri 3:40-6:35-10 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:20-3:40-6:35-10

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**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 2:55-6:45-9:10 Sat-Thu 12:10-2:55-6:45-9:10
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri 4:20-7:25-10:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:05-4:20-7:25-10:30 No Passes Mon 1-4:20-7:25-10:30 No Passes Tue-Thu 1:05-4:20-7:25-10:30
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri 3:30-7:10-55 Sat-Thu 12:40-3:30-7:10:55
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri 4:30-7:35-10:10 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:40-4:30-7:35-10:10

### SILVERCITY BRAMPTON
50 Great Lakes, 905-789-6797

**2012** (14A) Fri-Thu 11:55-3:35-7:20-11
**3 Idiots** (PG) Fri-Thu 1-5-9:10
**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-12:10-2:10-2:40-4:40-5:10-7:10-7:45-9:30
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-3:10-6:15-7:10-10:45
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50-6:30
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:15-6:10-9:20
**Disney's A Christmas Carol** (STC) Fri-Thu 12:20
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 3-10:20
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-4:20-7:40-10:40
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:35-1:55-4:30-7:05-9:45
**Rocket Singh: Salesman of the Year** (PG) Fri-Thu 4:10-7:50
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-12:45-3:20-4-6:50-7:30-10:10-10:50
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:05-3:30-6:35-9:50
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-7:25-10:30

### SILVERCITY MISSISSAUGA
3055 Vega Blvd., 905-569-3373

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri 4:30-5:7-7:30-9:20-10 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-12-2-2:30-4:30-5-7-7:30-9:20-10
**Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D** (STC) Fri 4:40-7:10-9:50 Sat-Thu 11:45-2:15-4:40-7:10-9:50
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri 4:7:40-10:30 Sat-Thu 1-4-7:40-10:30
**Invictus** (PG) Fri 3:20-6:30-9:45 Sat-Thu 12:15-3:20-6:30-9:45
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri 4:20-7:20-10:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:15-4:20-7:20-10:20
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri 3:40-6:40-9:40 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Fri 3:30-6:20-9:10 Sat-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:20-9:10
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 4:10-6:50-9:30 Sat-Thu 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:30
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri 3:50-7:15-10:10 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:50-3:50-7:15-10:10

### SQUARE ONE
100 City Centre Dr., 905-275-2640

**3 Idiots** (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 5:45-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Thu 2-5:45-9:30
**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri 2:30-3:30-5:15-6:30-7:40-9:10 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Sat-Thu 10:45-12:15-1-2:30-3:30-5:15-6:30-7:40-9:10
**The Blind Side** (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 3:20-6:40-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Thu 12:20-3:20-6:40-9:40
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri 3:45-7:10-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Sat 12:45-3:45-7:10-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sun-Thu 12:45-3:45-7:10-9:45
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 4-7-10:10 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Thu 1:15-4-7-10:10
**Invictus** (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 3:40-6:45-9:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Thu 12:30-3:40-6:45-9:50
**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 7:20-10:05
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 2:45-4:15-5:30-8-10:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Thu 11-12-1:30-2:45-4:15-5:30-8-10:30
**Up in the Air** (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri 4:30-7:15-10:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Sat-Thu 11:15-1:45-4:30-7:15-10:15

## NORTH

### 5 DRIVE-IN
2331 Ninth Line, 905-257-8272

**Armored** (14A) Sat-Wed 9:35
**The Blind Side** (PG) Sat-Wed 9:50
**Brothers** (14A) Sat-Wed 7:50
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Sat-Wed 7:40
**Law Abiding Citizen** (18A) Sat-Wed 9:45
**No Films Showing Today** (STC) Fri Thu
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Sat-Wed 7:30

### AURORA CINEMAS
15460 Bayview Ave., 905-841-1789

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri 4:40-7:10-9:30 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:40-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:30
**Avatar** (STC) No Passes Fri 6:15-10 No Passes Sat-Thu 2-6:15-10
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri 3:10-7:10:45 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-3:10-7:10:45
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri 3:15-6:40-9:50 Sat-Thu 12-3:15-6:40-9:50
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri 4:30-7:50-10:30 Sat-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:50-10:30
**Invictus** (PG) Fri 3:50-7:20 Sat-Thu 12:30-3:50-7:20
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri 3:20-6:30-9:40 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:20-3:20-6:30-9:40
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 5:10-7:40-10:10 Sat-Thu 11:50-2:30-5:10-7:40-10:10
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri 3:30-6:50-10:15 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:10-3:30-6:50-10:15
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 10:40
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri 4:10-7:30-10:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 1-4:10-7:30-10:20

### COLOSSUS 19
3555 Hwy 7 West, 905-851-1001

**2012** (14A) Fri-Thu 11:50-3:30-7:10-10:40
**Avatar** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-3:40-7:30-11:15
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-3:10-6:15-7:10-10:45
**Avatar: An IMAX 3D Experience** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:20-3-6:30-10
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:50-6:55-10:25
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:40-10:30
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:50
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:25-6:30-9:45
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-1:10-3:40-4:20-6:40-7:15-9:40-10:15
**Old Dogs** (G) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:15-7:05-9:30
**Planet 51** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:10-5
**The Road** (14A) Fri-Thu 8-11:10
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-12:50-1:20-3:20-4-4:30-6:50-7:20-7:50-10:10-10:30-11
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:45-3-6:10-9:15
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-1:50-4:10-4:50-7:10-7:45-10:10-10:50

### ELGIN MILLS 10
10909 Yonge St., 905-770-6998

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri 7:30-9:40 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:10-2:30-5:7:30-9:40
**Avatar** (STC) No Passes Fri 8 No Passes Sat 12-4:20-8 Sun-Thu 12-4:20-8
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri 6:40-9:45 Sat-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:45
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) No Passes Fri 6:10-9 No Passes Sat 12:30-3:10-6:10-9 Sun-Thu 12:30-3:10-6:10-9
**Invictus** (PG) Fri 6:30-9:30 Sat-Thu 12:20-3:20-6:30-9:30
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri 6:50-9:50 No Passes Sat-Thu 1-4:10-6:50-9:50
**Old Dogs** (G) Sat-Thu 1:10-3:30
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 7:10-9:20 Sat-Thu 1:30-3:50-7:10-9:20
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri 7:10-10 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:50-4-7:10-10
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 6:20-9:10
**Up in the Air** (14A) Fri 7:20-10 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:20-10

### FIRST MARKHAM PLACE
3275 Hwy 7 E., 905-474-5101

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:30
**Avatar** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-3:10-7:10:45
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-6:30-9:40
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:45-10:40
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:20-6:20-9:20
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4:20-7:15-10:20
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:20-5-7:35-10
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-4-7:25-10:30
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:40-10:10
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:15-4:10-6:50-9:50

### INTERCHANGE 30
30 Interchange Way, 905-760-1911

**3 Idiots** (PG) Fri-Thu 1-5:30-9:10
**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Fri 12:05-1:30-2:2:30-4:30-5-6:30-7-7:30-9-9:30-10 Sat-Thu 11-11:30-12:05-1:30-2-2:30-4-4:30-5-6:30-7-7:30-9-9:30-10
**Armored** (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:45-4:55-7:15-9:40
**Astro Boy** (PG) Fri 1:50-4:15-6:50-9:15 Sat-Thu 11:25-1:50-4:15-6:50-9:15
**Bad Lieutenant: Port of Call New Orleans** (STC) Fri 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:55 Sat-Thu 10:55-1:40-4:20-7:05-9:55
**Brothers** (14A) Fri 1:25-2:15-4-4:45-6:45-7:25-9:30-10:05 Sat-Thu 11-11:45-1:25-2:15-4-4:45-6:45-7:25-9:30-10:05
**Coco Before Chanel** (PG) Fri 2:05-4:35-7:05-9:40 Sat-Thu 11:10-2:05-4:35-7:05-9:40
**Couples Retreat** (PG) Fri 1:40-4:10-6:40-9:25 Sat-Thu 10:55-1:40-4:10-6:40-9:25
**Disney's A Christmas Carol** (STC) Fri 1:10-2:15-3:45-4:50-6:15-7:25-8:45-9:45 Sat-Thu 10:50-11:45-1:10-2:15-3:45-4:50-6:15-7:25-8:45-9:45
**An Education** (PG) Fri 2:05-4:50-7:20-9:50 Sat-Thu 11:20-2:05-4:50-7:20-9:50
**The Fourth Kind** (14A) Fri 1:25-4:05-6:25-9:05 Sat-Thu 11:05-1:25-4:05-6:25-9:05
**The Hangover** (14A) Fri-Thu 12:05-2:25-5:05-7:35-9:50
**Inglourious Basterds** (14A) Fri 2:50-6-9:20 Sat-Thu 11:25-2:50-6-9:20
**It's Complicated** (14A) Fri 12:30-1:15-2-3:15-4-4:45-6-6:45-7:30-9-9:45-10:15 Sat-Thu 11:15-12:30-1:15-2-3:15-4-4:45-6-6:45-7:30-9-9:45-10:15
**Law Abiding Citizen** (18A) Fri 2:35-5:05-7:40-10:10 Sat-Thu 11:50-2:35-5:05-7:40-10:10
**Ninja Assassin** (18A) Fri 12:15-1:50-2:40-4:20-5:15-6:40-7:45-9:10-10:10 Sat-Thu 11:20-12:15-1:50-2:40-4:20-5:15-6:40-7:45-9:10-10:10
**Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire** (14A) Fri 1:30-2:30-3:55-5-6:30-7:35-9:05-10:05 Sat-Thu 11:05-11:40-1:30-2:30-3:55-5-6:30-7:35-9:05-10:05
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 12:15-1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15-10:15 Sat-Thu 11:15-12:15-1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15-10:15
**Red Cliff** (14A) Fri 3:10-6:20-9:35 Sat-Thu 11:55-3:10-6:20-9:35
**Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri 1:35-4:05-6:50-9:25 Sat-Thu 11:10-1:35-4:05-6:50-9:25
**Zombieland** (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:35-4:55-7:10-9:35

### PROMENADE MALL
1 Promenade Circle, 416-494-9371

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Fri-Sun 11-12:50-2:55-5-7:05-9 Mon-Wed 12:50-2:55-5-7:05-9 Thu 12:50-2:55-5-7:05
**Avatar** (STC) Fri-Wed 1:30-4:50-8:30 Thu 1:30-4:50
**It's Complicated** (14A) Fri-Wed 1:15-4:10-6:50-9:20 Thu 1:15-4:10-6:50
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Wed 1:05-3:5-15:7-15-9:15 Thu 1:05-3-5:15-7:15
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Fri-Wed 1-4-7-9:35 Thu 1-4-7
**Up in the Air** (14A) Fri-Wed 1:20-4:15-6:55-9:25 Thu 1:20-4:15-6:55

### SILVERCITY NEWMARKET
18151 Yonge St., 905-953-2792

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri 4:40-5:10-7:10-9:30 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:40-12:10-2:10-2:40-4:40-5:10-7:10-9:30
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri 3:10-6:10-7:10-10:45 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-2-3:10-6:10-7:10-10:45
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri 6:30 Sat-Thu 12:30-6:30
**Brothers** (14A) Fri-Thu 10:20
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri 3:50-6:35-9:10 Sat-Thu 1:10-3:50-6:35-9:10
**Disney's A Christmas Carol** (STC) Fri 4:30-7:20 Sat-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:20
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 3:30-9:50
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri 3:20-6:20-9:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:20-3:20-6:20-9:20
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri 3:40-6:40-9:40 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri 5:7:40-10:15 Sat-Thu 11:45-2:30-5-7:40-10:15
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 7:30-11 No Passes Fri 3-6:50-10:10 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:50-3-6:50-10:10
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri 4:50-8-10:50 Sat-Thu 1:50-4:50-8-10:50
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri 4-7:50-10:30 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:20-4-7:50-10:30

### SILVERCITY RICHMOND HILL
8771 Yonge St., 905-709-3199

**2012** (14A) Fri-Thu 10:40
**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-12:10-2:10-2:40-4:40-5:30-7:10-8:10-9:30
**Avatar 3D** (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-3:10-6:10-7:10-10:45
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 6:05-9:10
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:30-6:30-9:15
**Disney's A Christmas Carol** (STC) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:35
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4:30-7:50-10:50
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:35-3-6:15-9:20
**It's Complicated** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-7:15-10:25
**Nine** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
**The Princess and the Frog** (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:50-5:20-8-10:35
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-12:30-3:20-4-6:50-7:40-10:10-11
**Up in the Air** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:20-10:20

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**Rapper T.I. released from jail**
T.I. has been released from prison in Arkansas and is being moved to a halfway house in Georgia, The Associated Press reports. The rapper, whose real name is Clifford Harris Jr., was released from jail Tuesday. TVGUIDE.COM

# Boxing Day at the movies

## Unwind from holiday hassle with the season's latest flicks

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**Movies and Boxing Day go together like turkey and stuffing.**

While everyone is returning unwanted Christmas gifts or fighting bargain hunters at the mall it will be the perfect time to relax and catch up on flicks you missed in the hectic ramp-up to the holidays.

The multiplexes are jammed with new movies at this time of year. Go see Disney's first hand-drawn fairy tale in twenty years, The Princess and the Frog, for the beautiful animation

Stay for the great songs and first ever African-American princess.

Also kid friendly is Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel, which sees the three furry singing stars find some competition from The Chipettes, an all girl chipmunk group lead by (the voice of) Drew Barrymore.

If singing rodents aren't your thing how about an all singing, all dancing movie from the usually oh-so-serious Daniel Day Lewis?

The Oscar winner stars in Nine, a musical about a film director juggling relationships with his wife, mistress, muse, agent and mother all while wearing cool Italian suits.

If twisty-turny relationships turn your crank but an overdose of Christmas carols has put you off music for the week, you may find some yuks in watching Steve Martin and Alec Baldwin fight over Meryl Streep in the comedy It's Complicated or the soon-to-be-divorced couple Hugh Grant and Sarah Jessica Parker enter the witness-protection program in Did You Hear About the Morgans?.

If you have time on your hands — or simply want a break from Christmas house guests — James Cameron's two-and-a-half-hour sci fi epic Avatar is the longest – and most eye-popping movie in current release.

Can't make the trip to the theatre? There's something on DVD or Blu-ray for everyone and then some. For the kids there's Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince and G-Force, a flick about everyone's favourite team of action guinea pigs.

Once the tots have gone to bed and grandma has had an extra sherry or two check out Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day, Inglourious Basterds or The Hangover for some adult entertainment.

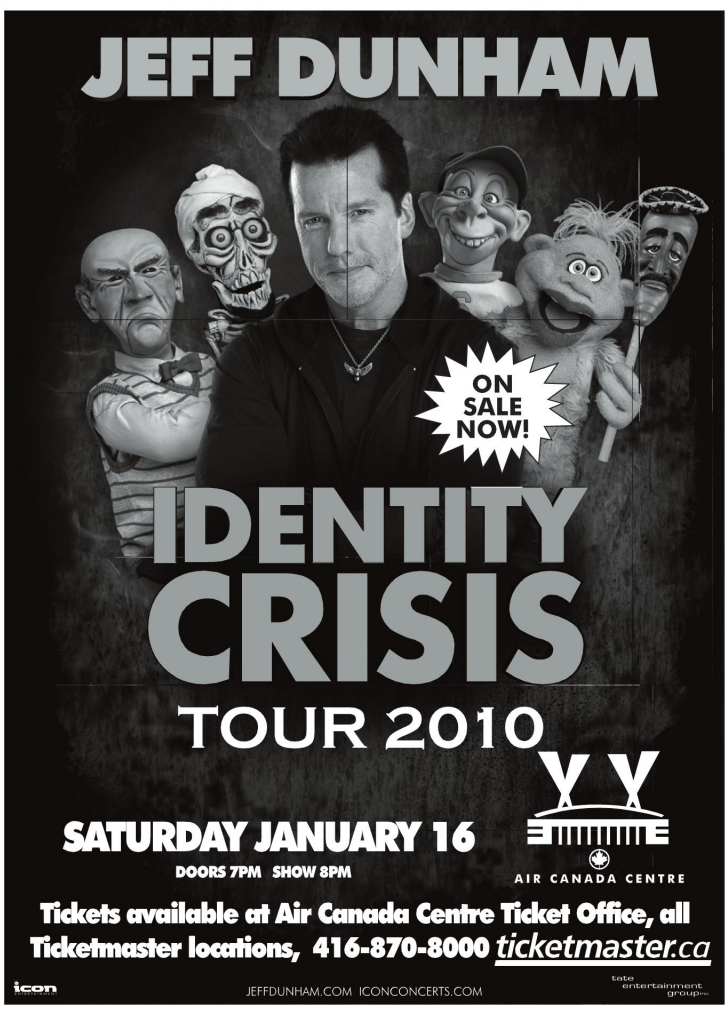
For the music lover in the house there's Taking Woodstock and the excellent guitar rock doc It Might Get Loud.

For the lovelorn, (500) Days of Summer should confirm that love can be fleeting.

And for the romantics, Julie & Julia should verify that food always tastes better with someone you love.

Whether staying home or going out, there are plenty of options to help while away a lazy Boxing Day.

Nine, starring Penelope Cruz, above, makes for some showy musical fun.



# Arkells tops Graham's best

**This list should probably include albums like The Fame Monster by Lady Gaga (even if her tracks sounds like ABBA retreads, it's about time somebody injected shock back into pop) and Blueprint 3 by Jay-Z (Empire State of mind is classy stuff, Yankees' fan or not). But it won't. There's always enough worthy Canadian music to promote without having to venture south or overseas. So this list is entirely home grown.**

Metro music reviewer Graham Rockingham picks The Arkells' Jackson Square as one of the best Canadian albums of the year.

**1. THE ARKELLS, JACKSON SQUARE (DINE ALONE):** This album was actually released late in 2008, but few paid attention until this year when the singles Oh the Boss is Coming and The Ballad of Hugo Chavez made the rock airways. This is an extraordinary debut album by the Hamilton-based band that merges catchy, high-energy hooks with intelligent lyrics. Tracks like Champagne Socialist and John Lennon in 67 leave the Arkells a cut above everyone else right now. And a year of steady touring has forged a fiery live act that will win over any audience.

**2. ALEXISONFIRE, OLD CROWS/YOUNG CARDINALS (DINE ALONE):** Alexisonfire had already demonstrated strong instrumental chops and a strong sense of lyrical purpose. All it needed was to tone down the screamo vocals and delve into their rock roots. They did all this and more on their fourth album. It all comes together on tracks like The Northern, where the band incorporates the gospel standard Roll Jordan Roll into the chorus, and Emerald Street, where George Pettit shows a journalist's eye for composition

**3. LEE HARVEY OSMOND, QUIET EVIL (LATENT):** A collective effort that with representation from the Cowboy Junkies, the Skydiggers, Junkhouse that sprang from a Michael Timmins project to musically chronicle the assassination of JFK. The group accomplishes the task in brilliant form in the track, Parkland, named after the Dallas hospital in which the president was pronounced dead. Frontman Tom Wilson describes this deeply dark, sometimes frightening, music as "acid folk." It fits.

**4. METRIC, FANTASIES (METRIC MUSIC):** This album would make the list simply for asking the "would you rather be The Beatles or the Rolling Stones?" But there are 10 solid tracks on this album, including Help I'm Alive. Emily Haines' songwriting keeps getting stronger. It's difficult to understand how this album didn't win the Polaris Prize. Metric, it seems, has become too popular for the indie-addled judges

**5. TRAGICALLY HIP, WE ARE THE SAME (UNIVERSAL):** We should never take this band for granted. After more than 20 years of recording the truest form of Canadian rock in existence, the Hip pulls together one of their most ambitious projects to date. And all of the tracks fit in comfortably with the rest of the band's incredible catalogue. **GRAHAM ROCKINGHAM/ FOR METRO CANADA**

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# Bryan backs Plaskett's three

**With just a couple weeks left in the year, every music fan is likely busy compiling a list of the decade's best records. But we can't forget how good 2009 has been. There was Sonic Youth's infectious The Eternal, La Roux's electro pop debut, Grizzly Bear's harmony laden folk on Veckatimst and the list goes on. But five Canadian records really stood out. Not only are these better than much of the international albums that hit shelves, but they've outshone all of the incredible talent coming out of the Great White North.**

**1. JOEL PLASKETT THREE (MAPLEMUSIC/UNIVERSAL):** This seminal East Coast rocker has created a lot of good music over the years, but Three is easily his most ambitious effort yet. It should have been a mess — a triple disc, 27-song effort has a lot of potential to go wrong — but nearly every track here is as inspiring as the next. Partnering with Rose Cousins and Ana Egge, who provided stunning harmonies, was genius, while the infectious folk melodies are classic Plaskett.

**2. ALEXISONFIRE, OLD CROWS/YOUNG CARDINALS (DINE ALONE):** I've never liked Alexisonfire. Their aggressive yells and uneven songwriting didn't do much for me — that is until I heard their fourth disc Old Crows/Young Cardinals. On this record the group has, without question, found their voice. They've discovered the perfect balance between George Pettit's loud, guttural yells and Dallas Green's soaring melodic vocals. The songs are incredibly contagious, especially single Young Cardinals.

**3. CHARLES SPEARIN THE HAPPINESS PROJECT (ARTS & CRAFTS/EMI):** You know Charles Spearin as the multi-instrumentalist from Do May Say Think and Broken Social Scene, but the artist's most inventive work has to be The Happiness Project. On this record, Spearin interviewed people from his community and set their words to sounds. Horn blasts follow a woman's natural talking melodies on the track Mrs. Morris, while a jazz band plays around with a little girl's words on Vittoria. It's experimental and accessible, but better yet it's passionate, inspiring and a beautiful ode to Spearin's neighbourhood.

**4. HANDSOME FURS FACE CONTROL (SUB POP/OUTSIDE):** Handsome Furs is the brainchild of Wolf Parade's guitarist Dan Boeckner and his wife Alexei Perry — and the buzz is definitely competing with his other group. The duo's second disc is a gorgeous collection of gritty synth-heavy rock. It's wildly infectious, especially the Springsteen-esque All We Want, Baby, Is Everything. It's louder and more confident than the band's debut too; the more they improve the more Wolf Parade becomes a distant memory.

**5. K'NAAN TROUBADOR (A&M/UNIVERSAL):** Canadians have known about K'naan — the Somalia-born, Toronto-based rapper — since his fantastic debut in 2006. But, it was this year that the rest of the world finally discovered Keinan Abdi Warsame. That's thanks to his incredible sophomore record Troubador — which blends hip-hop, rock, R&B and everything else. It's filled with catchy hooks, but it's the subject matter on songs like Fatima, about a girl he knew in Africa, that makes this a memorable effort.

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI/ FOR METRO CANADA

Metro music reviewer Bryan Borzykowski picks Joel Plaskett's Three as one of the best Canadian albums of the year.

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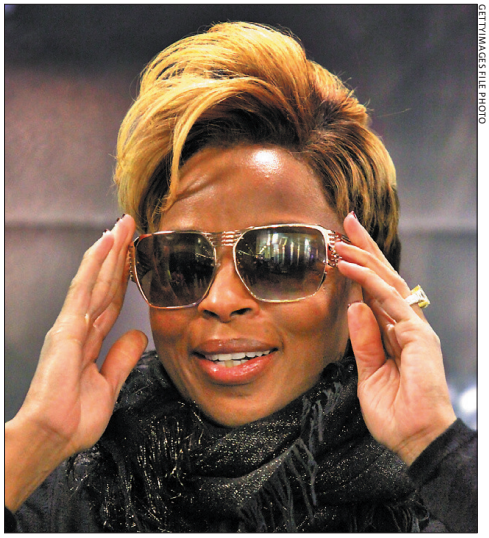
**Y and R star's surrogate has baby**

With the help of a surrogate, soap star Michelle Stafford has become a mom. The Young and the Restless star welcomed daughter Natalia Scout Lee on Monday, her rep tells People. **POPEATER.COM**



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Mary J. Blige says performing her hits is like therapy.

# Blige talks about being a crybaby

**Mary J. Blige, who is known as the "queen of hip-hop soul," says she's kept her lofty title because she stays in tune with what younger audiences want to hear.**

In a recent interview, Blige — who has won nine Grammy Awards since her debut in 1992 — talked about R&B music, recording a jazz album — and being a crybaby.

**Q Would you say that you're a sensitive person?**

A I would say that I'm a very sensitive person.

**Q Are you crying about the same things that you cried about earlier in your career?**

A I think I cry about different things now. I cry because I want to be better than this. I want to continue to grow so, you know, I have to give myself a break. I'm my worst critic. I'm the hardest person on me. I've been like that forever, but I've just learned to give myself a break so even now when I slip ... I don't want to hurt anyone. And I cry when I hurt people unintentionally.

**Q How do you react when one of your songs is played on the radio?**

A If I hear one of my old songs like Not Gon' Cry or My Life — the My Life album just always makes me stop and just cry, like just bawl. So call me a crybaby, whatever. I'm a woman, too, so sometimes it's just that time.

**Q Is it hard to perform those emotional songs when, at this point, you're in a different place?**

A For me performing Not Gon' Cry and I'm Goin' Down and My Life — it's like therapy again. I just love the way it makes me feel at the moment and get it out of my system, you know. Those are hurtful places and sometimes you got to revisit for the sake of other people.

**Q How would you compare today's R&B music with the '90s music?**

A Can I say '80s, too? There is no comparison because the music in the '90s and the '80s was just like, music. You had Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis who were on the radio. Michael Jackson and Quincy Jones everywhere, all over the place. Anita Baker, just so many amazing people. ... I'm not saying the music isn't beautiful now. It's just such a ... it's limited

**Q How do you think your fashion style has evolved?**

A I mean I've had some disasters, some trials, some errors, some disastrous hair moments and clothing moments, but that's due to the insecurity in me and not knowing what works for me.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Cameron appeals to Chinese film industry

**MOVIES** Hollywood director James Cameron urged China to open its doors to more foreign films, arguing it would boost the local cinema industry after the WTO ruled Beijing was illegally restricting movie and other media imports.

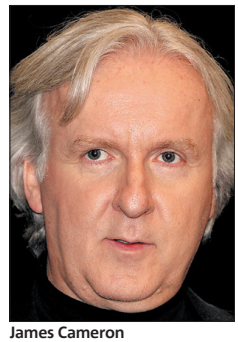
In Beijing to promote his latest sci-fi extravaganza, Avatar, Cameron said Wednesday that China's breakneck economic growth meant it no longer needed measures to protect its film industry.

"China's economy is expanding very, very rapidly. And I think the feeling right now is that perhaps it doesn't need to be protecting itself quite as much," Cameron, the director of blockbusters that include Terminator 2: Judgment Day and Titanic, told reporters. "Chinese filmmakers are very strong ... they're highly respected."

The Chinese government protects local films by limiting the number of film imports on a revenue-sharing basis to 20 a year, a quota that effectively limits Hollywood blockbusters to 20 slots annually.

These and other restrictions have been a key complaint by Western countries, who say that China's rapid rise as a trade power has been in part aided by unfair policies that boost sales of Chinese goods abroad while limiting imports into its market.

"I think that by opening the doors in China to other filmmakers, it will raise the entire film industry in China," Cameron said. "It will get people more excited, there will be more seats, more cinemas, more excitement about the cinema-going experience, which will also raise the Chinese filmmakers' ability to play their films."



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James Cameron

On Monday, a World Trade Organization panel upheld a ruling in a case brought by the U.S. government that China was obstructing trade by forcing foreign suppliers to distribute movies, music and books through state-owned companies.

China expressed disappointment at the decision but gave no immediate sign whether it could keep trying to defend the controls.

The WTO case focused on complaints by groups representing music labels such as EMI and Sony Music Entertainment, publishers including McGraw Hill and Simon&Schuster and Hollywood studios Warner Bros., Disney, Paramount, Universal and 20th Century Fox. The groups say the Chinese rules cost them tens of millions of dollars each year in lost business opportunities.

China's box office is booming, but still comparatively small compared to the U.S. market. Government statistics show that revenues surged from 920 million yuan in 2003 to 4.3 billion yuan ($630 million) in 2008 — compared to $9.8 billion in the U.S. last year.

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# Lewd messages land rapper conviction

**COURTS** A would-be rapper was convicted Tuesday of harassing Ashanti's mother with a flurry of dirty photos and lewd text messages about the Grammy Award-winning R&B star.

Devar Hurd shook his head as a Manhattan jury delivered its verdict after two days of deliberations, finding him guilty of stalking and aggravated harassment for messages the singer's mother called scary and disgusting.

Hurd, a sometime model and car salesman from Griffith, Indiana, said he thought the crude messages, photos of his genitals and a picture of the home where Ashanti's family lives were welcome.

The 31-year-old is being held without bail until his sentencing, set for Jan. 11. He faces up to two years in prison. His lawyer, Richard Verchick, left court without speaking to reporters and didn't immediately return a phone call afterward.

Ashanti's mother, Tina Douglas, told jurors she didn't know Hurd when he began calling her and leaving messages recounting bizarre and rambling sexual fantasies about the singer. Douglas manages her daughter's multiplatinum-selling career.

Douglas said she told Hurd to leave her alone but he went on to send dozens of revolting text messages and pictures.

"It was just disgusting and humiliating and extremely frightening," Douglas testified, adding that she pulled Ashanti out of a rehearsal of The Wiz after Hurd sent a message that mentioned seeing the singer's car outside the theatre.

Ashanti starred as Dorothy in an off-Broadway revival of the musical this summer.

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**Sarandon, Robbins split up**

One of Hollywood's most enduring relationships has ended – Susan Sarandon and Tim Robbins have broken up after more than two decades together. "Actress Susan Sarandon and her partner of 23 years, actor Tim Robbins have announced that they separated over the summer," her rep said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Usher's got flash and style

**Usher knows his stuff when it comes to fashion.**

The R&B singer describes his style as "flashy classy" and he is known for seamlessly moving between three-piece banker suits and leather jackets. He admires edgier designers such as Rick Owens, Marc Jacobs and Kris Van Assche.

Usher has enough business savvy to say it's not the right time for him to launch his own label, but he is in New York to promote his new fragrance, Usher VIP, a follow-up to Usher He, which ranked in the top 40 of men's prestige fragrance sales this year, according to market data researcher NPD.

This is all moonlighting for him, though. Musically, Usher had the No. 3 hip-hop song according to Nielsen/BDS with "Papers."

On this day Usher is in a luxurious hotel suite wearing a long blue cardigan sweater, dark jeans and black leather boots to answer fashion questions from The Associated Press:

**Q What's the most important element of your look?**

**A** It's about how you feel, not about 'fashion.' It's about healthy living, the combination of foods you eat. ... Those ancillaries are what lead you to 'fashion.' Fashion can be a beautiful scarf, soft cashmere sweater or cool boots.

**Q Where do you find inspiration for your style?**

**A** My taste develops the more I'm introduced to things, the more I travel and experience different lifestyles. I always go out and embrace where I am — I don't stay locked up in a hotel room. I am an eclectic spectator.

**Q Why isn't there an Usher fashion label yet?**

**A** I'm building a lifestyle brand and I'm not rushing to do clothes. I feel like I'm speaking to my customer now with the fragrances, and, in this economy and with my style and attention to detail, my clothes won't come cheap. It's not the right time.

**Q What did you wear when you sang at President Obama's holiday concert earlier this month?**

**A** I worked with the president's tailor. I wanted an edge but be appropriate and I wanted to be warm. The scarf I wore was attached to the jacket, which was cashmere and had waxed silver thread. I wore a slim pant that was dressy and well tailored — and I'm in good shape now so I didn't mind showing off a little. I wore black boots that were like spats with French buttons by Dsquared2. ... It was all new for the president.

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## French rocker leaves hospital

**SURGERY** France's top rocker and entertainment icon Johnny Hallyday has left a Los Angeles hospital after riveting France for some two weeks of hospitalization for back surgery.

Hallyday's press agency says the 66-year-old star left Cedars-Sinai Medical Center on Wednesday, in time to join his wife and two daughters for Christmas at their Los Angeles home. The 96b agency says he must continue "indispensable medical treatment." Hallyday was hospitalized after lingering pain from Nov. 26 surgery in Paris for a herniated disk. An infection was discovered.

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## Jacko doc returns as cameras roll

**DOCUMENTARY** When Michael Jackson's embattled personal physician returned to work last month, cameras were rolling.

Miranda Sevcik, a spokeswoman for Dr. Conrad Murray, confirms that a British documentary crew chronicled his first day back at a Houston clinic for the poor. Murray returned to the clinic Nov. 23 and was greeted by several patients and his pastor. Murray remains under investigation for his role in Jackson's June 25 death. No charges have been filed, but investigators are looking into whether Murray improperly administered the pop superstar the powerful anesthetic propofol. Details of the project were first reported by celebrity website TMZ. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## critics'corner

**Miracle on 34th Street**

In this 1947 classic, Edmund Gwenn stars as a Macy's Santa who gets into trouble when he claims he's the real Kriss Kringle. In a city full of impostors, he finds no one — not even a little girl (Natalie Wood) — willing to believe in him. With skeptics ridiculing him at every turn, Kringle has no choice but to take his case to court. Only one young lawyer has enough faith to defend him. Maureen O'Hara and John Payne also star in the Academy Award winner. 8 PM on CBC

**The Road to Christmas**

Despite the title, this isn't a Hope-Crosby jaunt. Instead it's a fluffy little comedy about a woman (Jennifer Grey) who obviously missed all those movies in which yuletide weddings go terribly wrong. Stranded by a storm on the way to her ceremony, she's forced to accept a ride from a stranger (Clark Gregg). Hitchhiking is also a generally bad idea, but this guy has his kid with him, so he's cool. 6 AM on W

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# Many disappointments at Montfort

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**Rating: ●●**
**Dinner & drinks for 2:** $55

It's -7 tonight, -17 with the wind chill. And not much warmer here in the restaurant.

Actually, it's freezing. We eat with our coats on. It's not just us — the chef is wearing a toque and a table of eight-to-10 chows down in their puffy coats.

It's hard to enjoy our meal when we're shivering, but the Assorted Maza for two ($16.95 for four of your choice) is a welcome distraction. The thick Baba Ganosh is hearty and garlicky. Hummus with Meat is unusual — the grilled shawarma meat has a sweet, cinnamon finish. The Thai Shrimp isn't Thai at all, but is deep-fried and tasty, as is the Calamari, in an indulgent, junk food way.

The Mixed Grill for two ($39.95) includes Montfort Chicken, Chicken Shawarma, Pork Souvlaki and Kafta. It's accompanied by a salad and potatoes or rice.

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The Montfort Chicken — grilled with pineapple and "special seasoning" — is a "specialty" here and is surprisingly succulent as is the Shawarma, but the Souvlaki and Kafta are bland and overcooked. The mushy rice and limp salad don't help.

There are a few taste sensations here, but many disappointments. Including not being told there wasn't heat.

Would you go back?

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Mixed Grill for two ($39.95).

## Global Peasant blog online

- Travel along with Diane Thompson's culinary adventures in her Global Peasant blog.
- Check out metronews.ca/globalpeasant for a recipe of Brown Rice Salmon Sushi!

## Dining out

**SETTLING IN** Restaurants need time to settle in. Only days old and BQM Diner (354 Queen St. W.) clearly isn't ready. They've run out of things, the server doesn't know what the specials are and the food arrives lukewarm and bland. Will they find their legs? Time will tell, but they, as with other restaurants, should be granted a couple of weeks to work the kinks out.

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**Hudson may become a mother once again**
Jennifer Hudson is pregnant with her second child just four months after giving birth to baby son David Jr., according to U.S. tabloid reports. She and her fiancé David Otunga discovered the happy news on Dec. 10, according to Star magazine. METRO WORLD NEWS

## Celebrity Buzz

# Winehouse tantrum infuriates dad

**OH AMY, AMY, AMY** Mitch Winehouse is furious with Amy over her alleged theatre attack, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The 58-year-old taxi driver is very unhappy with his daughter, who was hauled into Bethnal Green police station in London yesterday to be questioned about the incident at a pantomime — a traditional musical comedy production, typically performed around Christmas — in Milton Keynes last week.

A source said: "I've never seen Mitch this angry, he is seething. He can't believe Amy would act so stupidly."

The 26-year-old singer reportedly shocked theatregoers when she hurled abuse at the cast of Cinderella, allegedly kicked and punched the front of house manager, and spent more than half an hour of the first act yelling expletives.

Winehouse — who was thought to have been drinking — was eventually dragged out of the theatre by her security staff. Mitch blames Blake Fielder-Civil, the singer's ex-husband who she recently reconciled with, for her wild behaviour

A source told the Daily Star newspaper: "Her dad thinks her current behaviour is due to spending time with Blake again.

"After just one day in Blake's presence, Amy reverted back to her wild ways. Amy had really changed over the last few months and was getting her life back on track."

METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Murphy's death raises drug speculations

**THE PLOT THICKENS** As the details of Brittany Murphy's are sorted out, some doctors are speculating that a combination of prescription drugs was behind the actress' heart attack earlier this week. "When you have a 32-year-old person dying suddenly, and especially a celebrity in Los Angeles, you can place your bet down that it's going prove to be a case of acute combined drug toxicity," Dr. Cyril Wecht tells the CBS Early Show. Meanwhile, Murphy's husband, Simon Monjack, was apparently left out of her will, as she wrote it before they were married, according to E! News. "She left everything to her mother," a source says.

METRO WORLD NEWS

## Summer wedding bells for Britney?

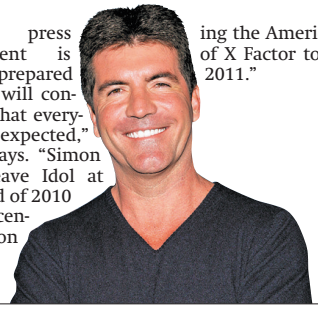
**JUST REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED LAST TIME YOU PROPOSED, BRIT** Britney Spears has been touring Beverly Hills jewelry stores shopping for engagement rings — only her boyfriend, Justin Trawick, doesn't know about it, according to In Touch Weekly. "Britney is ready to marry Jason," a source says "She wants to be with him 24/7." The source adds that Spears is hoping for a summer wedding.

METRO WORLD NEWS

# Cowell set to bid Idol farewell?

**NOW THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN WON'T GET THE CHANCE TO HAVE THEIR DREAMS CRUSHED** Simon Cowell is set to leave American Idol behind, if his loose-lipped brother has anything to say about it. Tony Cowell, who produces a podcast called The Cowell Factor, recently dished on his brother's plans.

"A press statement is being prepared which will confirm what everybody expected," Tony says. "Simon will leave Idol at the end of 2010 to concentrate on bringing the American version of X Factor to U.S. TV in 2011."



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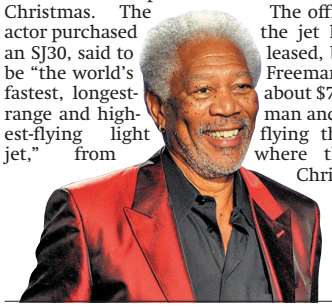
# Freeman's jet set Christmas

**MILE HIGH CLUB** Avid pilot Morgan Freeman bought himself a new plane for Christmas. The actor purchased an SJ30, said to be "the world's fastest, longest-range and highest-flying light jet," from Emivest, an investment firm in Dubai, according to Gulf News.

The official price tag for the jet has not been released, but it is said that Freeman bought it for about $7 million US. Freeman and his niece will be flying the jet to Dubai, where they will spend Christmas.



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# Beyonce and Jay-Z try each other's names on for size

**SAY MY NAME... OK, AND HIS NAME TOO** Beyonce Knowles and Jay-Z are to change their names, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The couple, who married in April 2008, are to take on both of their respective surnames in order to keep the singer's parental line from dying out.

Jay-Z — whose real name is Shawn Carter — will now be known as Shawn Knowles-Carter, while Beyonce is to become Beyonce Knowles-Carter.

A source told the Daily Star newspaper: "They want to keep Knowles because Beyonce's parents didn't have any sons and they're keen to keep the name going strong, especially if they don't produce any children themselves."

Earlier this week, the Knowles family suffered a blow when it was announced that Beyonce's parents Tina and Mathew would be divorcing after 29 years of marriage.

In October, rumours surfaced that Mathew may have been unfaithful, with a paternity suit filed by Alexandra Wright claiming he was the father of her unborn child — an allegation he has denied.

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## Kendra excited to make holidays special for baby

**INTERESTING HOUSEHOLD** Kendra Wilkinson can't wait to start her own "family traditions" now she is a wife and mother, femalefirst.co.uk says.

The reality TV star and former Playboy playmate is gearing up for the festive season and hopes to make the holiday as wonderful for her husband Hank Baskett and newborn son Henry Randall Baskett IV as her mother did when she was younger.

Kendra, 24, tweeted: "I can't wait to start my own family traditions and I'm so excited to make every Christmas memorable for little Hank like my mom did for me!"

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## Celebrity tweets

Sean Combs keeps it clean, Stephen Fry is disconnecting for the holidays, Diablo Cody knows how to keep herself motivated, and John Mayer is very strict about Christmas songs.

- @iamdiddy Takin a bath. Its a nightly ritual! Its like getting baptized!!!
- @stephenfry Far away from London now. Christmas has started. No phone reception. Hesitant internet. Cut off from the world for a week. Makes me happy.
- @diablocody I listen to "Maniac" from Flashdance all the time. It makes me type really fast
- @johncmayer I don't care what anyone says, holiday music was made to be played on the saxophone and that's that!!!

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## Jake mourns broken heart with guy pals

**FAKE RELATIONSHIP BLUES** Jake Gyllenhaal is licking his wounds after his split from Reese Witherspoon by reportedly vacationing with pals at the Post Ranch Inn in Big Sur, Calif., the very spot he planned to propose to his ex, according to Popeater.

"It's so sad watching his friends try to cheer him up in the infinity pool when you know it was Reese that was supposed to be next to him wearing a diamond ring," a source says.

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# Aerosmith singer enters rehab

**NO CHRISTMAS VACATION FOR HIM** Aerosmith front-man Steven Tyler has entered rehab for painkiller addiction, he announced in a statement this week, after a difficult period that saw him quit the band, and then join them again in a bizarre media drama.

"I love Aerosmith; I love performing as the lead singer in Aerosmith. I am grateful for all of the support and love I am receiving and am committed to getting things taken care of," the 61-year-old singer says.

The doctor Tyler has been working with says that performance-related injuries from the past decade have left Tyler with chronic pain, and he will most likely need surgery on his feet and knees.

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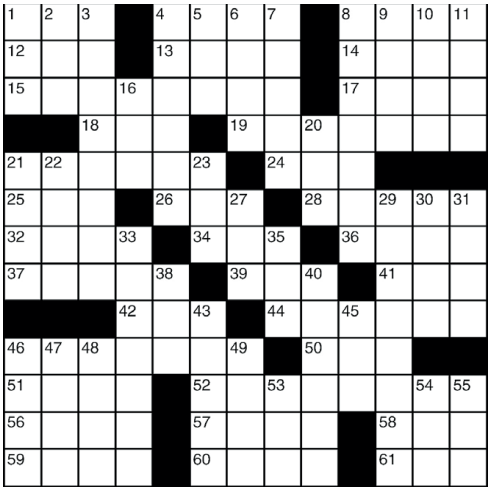

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19 Cunning
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28 Bottom point
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2 Clear the tables
3 Put one's foot down
4 Elmo's street
5 Shack
6 Belligerent Olympian
7 Devout
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10 Tarzan's clique
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16 Altar affirmative
20 Longing
21 Canaanite idol
22 Excessive revelry
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27 Back talk
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30 Terrible guy?
31 Mature
33 Tie breaker?
35 Affirmative action
38 Help
40 0 through 9
43 Combine
45 Anatomical duct
46 "When in —, ..."
47 Satan's specialty
48 Disarray
49 Canadian flag symbol
53 Perch
54 Historic time
55 Parched

## Sudoku

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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**PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:**

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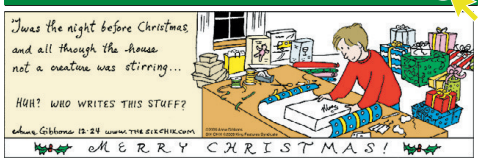


## Metro Recipe of the Day

### Lemon Garlic Mussels

Submitted by:
Tammy Roy, St. Thomas, ON

**INGREDIENTS:**
-2 Tablespoon olive oil
-1 Cup vidalia onion diced
-1 chili pepper, sliced in half
-1 bay leaf
-8 Clove garlic, minced
-1 Tablespoon fresh parsley
-1 Tablespoon tarragon, rough chopped
-1 Tablespoon oregano, rough chopped
-1 Tablespoon thyme, rough chopped
-1 lemon, juice of
-1/2 Cup white wine
-2 1/2 Pound mussels, scrubbed and discard any that are not alive
-3 Tablespoon butter
-fresh herbs (to garnish)
-sliced lemon (to garnish)

**METHOD:**
1. Pour olive oil to cover bottom of a large pan.
2. Add onions, chili pepper and garlic - saute until translucent.
3. Add herbs, lemon and wine.
4. Add mussels - cover and steam for 5 minutes until all are opened.
5. Remove mussels to a large bowl.
6. Keeping the juice in the pan, whisk in the butter and pour over the mussels.
7. Garnish with herbs and lemon.

**SERVES 4**
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**COOK TIME: 10 MINUTES**

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**ARIES**
**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**
Just because it's the holiday season does not mean you should give up on your efforts to impress employers and other important people.

**TAURUS**
**APRIL 21-MAY 21**
With Pluto power on your side there is nothing you cannot do or possess. The only danger is you might be a bit too imperious and turn off people.

**GEMINI**
**MAY 22-JUNE 21**
Look in the mirror and be honest about what you see. Everyone has faults, but not everyone has the ability to recognize them.

**CANCER**
**JUNE 22-JULY 22**
It may be the case that you are expected to do something today that goes against the grain, that compromises your values. Value your principles.

**LEO**
**JULY 23-AUG 23**
The planets indicate you have been working too hard and need a rest, but you are unlikely to get one until you change your attitude.

**VIRGO**
**AUG 24-SEPT 22**
Don't waste time worrying that what you are planning may not be possible, just get on and do it and before you know it you'll be flying.

**LIBRA**
**SEPT 23-OCT 23**
You will have to deal with someone you would prefer to avoid, someone whose attitude you find difficult to take.

**SCORPIO**
**OCT 24-NOV 22**
You will be extraordinarily generous today but make sure it is only your friends who benefit from your munificence.

**SAGITTARIUS**
**NOV 23-DEC 21**
You don't have to ask anyone's permission to make the major changes that you desire. On the contrary, they'll work out if you seize the initiative

**CAPRICORN**
**DEC 22-JAN 20**
Your confidence will go through the roof between now and the new year. You'll feel as if you could take on the world and win – and you can.

**AQUARIUS**
**JAN 21-FEB 18**
It's okay to be secretive, especially if what you are planning has the potential to upset those you live or work with.

**PISCES**
**FEB 19-MARCH 20**
Take the initiative in group activities and don't be afraid to tell others what they have been doing wrong.

## This day in history

1955 – NORAD Tracks Santa for the first time in what will become an annual Christmas Eve tradition.
1968 – Apollo Program: The crew of Apollo 8 enters into orbit around the Moon, becoming the first humans to do so. They performed 10 lunar orbits and broadcast live TV pictures that became the famous Christmas Eve Broadcast, one of the most watched programs in history.
2003 – The Spanish police thwart an attempt by ETA to detonate 50 kg of explosives at 3:55 p.m. inside Madrid's busy Chamartín Station.

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